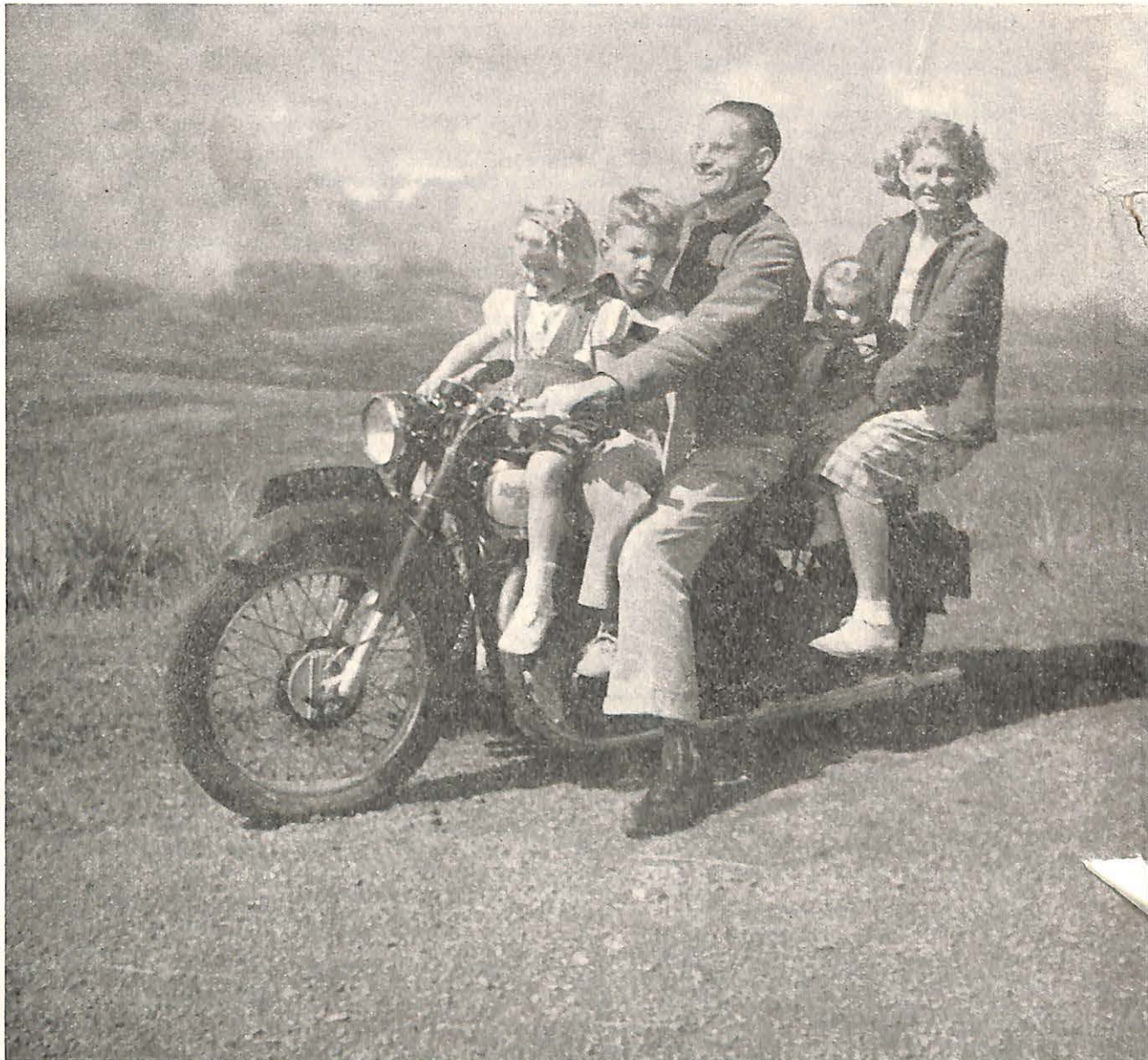


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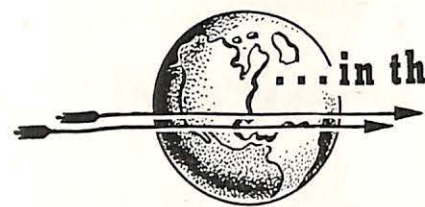
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Advance**

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ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF EVANGELICALS AT CHICAGO
Report by the REV. JOHN E. GRAYGO.

“EXALT CHRIST.” That was the theme of the ninth annual convention of the National Association of Evangelicals at Chicago's famous Congress Hotel from April 10 to 13. The brilliant Mendelian principle, “In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty, and in all things, charity,” was admirably followed. A spirit of cordiality and brotherliness was wonderfully manifest in closed and open sessions.

Since action was the tempo of the program, numerous committees and various boards were holding important sessions in specially assigned rooms. All open meetings, except the rally on Friday night, were held in the ornate “Gold Room.” An ably managed “Press Room” accepted and released valuable news items. The spacious exhibition hall offered opportunity to examine literature from mission boards, colleges, Bible Schools and religious publishing houses.

Although all three types of churches, the episcopal, the presbyterian and the congregational, are represented in this virile movement, the latter type is by far the largest. Three hundred and twenty-five Baptist churches, five of these belonging to our North American Baptist Conference, have a very strong voice in the policies of the NAE. Dr. Frederick Curtis Fowler, Presbyterian USA, is the dynamic president of this association. The 1st vice-president is Dr. Paul S. Rees, Evangelical Mission Covenant Church, and the 2nd vice-president is Dr. I. Cedric Peterson, Conservative Baptist.

The aim of the delegates was to arouse as much interest in religious and secular fields as possible. To this end, famous speakers had been secured and resounding protests and clear resolutions had been dispatched as near as Washington, D. C., and as far as Formosa. When 300 official delegates and some 500 visitors become aroused, as for instance, the morning after the dismissal of General Douglas MacArthur, one can only admire the courage of the men, who openly pleaded with God that he would take the destiny of our nation and the world into his almighty hand and call a halt to the march of the forces of evil.

One of the paragraphs of the

weighty MacArthur resolution had this to say: “Be it resolved that, without implying our competence to judge the technicality of this case, we appreciate the example of Christian citizenship and the moral alertness provided by General MacArthur in a period of national duress, and further, that we deplore the alarmist tactics of many of our present national leaders, which might easily plunge us into a third world war, and caution against the employment of the sense of urgency for purposes of political expedience.”

Other resolutions dealt with Ambassadors O'Dwyer, requesting President Harry S. Truman to recall O'Dwyer from Mexico in order “to relieve American citizens of the moral embarrassment such official representation as that of Ambassador O'Dwyer causes them.” The Kefauver committee received laudable commendation for its excellent work in behalf of the good name of our country. The I.C.C., Washington, D. C., was asked that the television programs be cleansed from everything that defiles the Christian home.

Two special messages, one from Dr. Billy Graham and the other from Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, were conveyed to the convention. The first one was very uplifting and challenging; the second very interesting. The Generalissimo wrote: “As a fellow-Christian on this side of the Pacific, I have much pleasure in sending you my hearty greetings.” Also: “One Christian teaching in particular should serve as the corner stone of the moral foundation of world order: ‘As ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise.’”

Dr. Rutherford L. Decker, Kansas City, Mo., spoke on Tuesday night. He pointed out that “Jesus Christ is either Lord of all, or he is not Lord at all!” On the same night, Dr. Frederick Curtis Fowler, Pittsburgh, Pa.,

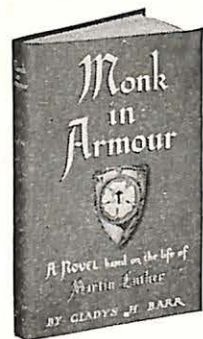
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FRONT COVER

The front cover picture shows Dr. and Mrs. Leslie Chaffee at Bamenda, Africa, with their three children, Douglas, Sylvia and Marjorie, on their missionary motorcycle.

This snapshot was taken by Miss Laura E. Reddig. The Eastman Kodak Company of Chicago regarded it as such a prize picture that it asked for permission to exhibit it in its show window of the Chicago store.

Adventures in Christian Reading



A MONK IN ARMOUR
by GLADYS BARR.

This historical novel deals with the life of Martin Luther. Here is a novel which will leave a deep impression. See page 11 of this issue.

HERE I STAND

by ROLAND BAINTON.

A life of Martin Luther, which reads like a novel. The book represents splendid workmanship and outstanding scholarship.

See page 11 of this issue.



WHITE WITCH DOCTOR
by LOUISE A. STEINTORF.

The story of Ellen Burton, an Indiana farm maid, who answered the call of the mission field. This is an exceptionally fine missionary novel.

See page 11 of this issue.

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Owing to the tremendous increase in production costs, the board of trustees has found it necessary to increase the price of the Baptist Herald to \$3.00 per year or \$2.50 for the Club Plan and \$3.50 for foreign countries. The increase is effective July 1, 1951.

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Editorial

God's Open Windows

GOD HAS OPENED his windows of blessing above us as North American Baptists! That is an observation that must prompt everyone of us to boundless praise. It is the good news of this issue of the BAPTIST HERALD with its many reports of denominational committees and of our missionary program. It is the dynamic of our advance which we have launched with our Savior and God.

God's promise is that he will “open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it” (Malachi 3:10). But all of this will happen only if we prove HIM now herewith and bring all the tithes into his storehouse. God's windows of blessing can be opened only upon such who open their hearts in faith to receive them and their pocketbooks in consecration to carry out his purposes.

Look at the story of our denominational advance in these pages. Seven new missionaries for the field, special building projects for the Cameroons and a new field among the lepers represent only part of this story. The General Council has proposed another series of conferences on evangelism and has launched our churches on a great faith program of service for Christ.

The Christian Training Institute of Edmonton needs enlarged facilities for its ever expanding program. The Seminary board has appointed another member to the faculty in a librarian and special teacher. The Publication Board has recognized the need for new equipment as the ministry of our Publication House continues to expand. The Committee on Education is going forward in preparing new educational leaflets and material along spiritual lines for the benefits of our young people. Things are happening on all sides which are evidences of God's open windows over us!

But remember God's condition! This advance is possible only if we believe in it sufficiently to support it with our prayers and gifts. These windows will be kept open only if we bring our gifts and tithes into God's storehouse. If we are faithful stewards, God will pour you out his blessings until your joy will seem as if there is not room enough to receive all that God wants to give you!

The General Council has approved a proposed financial program of \$450,000 which is considerably higher than our income for the past year. This includes a budget of \$375,000 and special over and above the budget projects amounting to \$75,000. These projects can be adopted by individuals and churches whenever they are led by the Holy Spirit to give and to do “something special” and sacrificially. It's a challenge that can best be depicted as “God's open window!”

Thank God then for these open windows of his! Read this issue and praise him for the advance that has been launched by our general committees. Face the task that is ahead of us with all of its overwhelming responsibilities. Then unitedly let us “press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.”

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With Christ on a Cameroons Farm

In this phase of our agricultural program for Africa, as in every other, we strive to glorify God and to make his Spirit felt in the daily activities of the natives' life

By the REV. GILBERT SCHNEIDER
of Warwar, Africa, Cameroons Missionary, Now at Home on Furlough

WE HAVE ALREADY told the story of how the "Cooperative" began at Warwar. It is part of an agricultural program which has greater possibilities than perhaps you have realized! We would like you to know more about how this program can be of real benefit to the Mission.

From this previous information you are familiar with the fact that this agricultural program is meeting an urgent personal need. It also enables us to assist our fellow-missionaries by sending them some basic food supplies.

CONTACTS WITH PEOPLE

Another important reason for such a program is the fact that it has done much to win our way into the hearts of the people. Farming is their specialty. They are good at it. They respect anyone who shares their enthusiasm for it. They are anxious to learn. We feel it will be a worthy contribution to be able to introduce an improved agriculture into the life-blood of the country and its people.

In this phase of our work, as in every other, we strive to glorify God and make his Name known and his Spirit felt in the daily activities of their life. Each day there are curious

ARRIVAL HOME!

The Rev. and Mrs. Gilbert Schneider, Cameroons missionaries, arrived in the United States on April 20 for their furlough. After several weeks spent on the Atlantic Coast and a brief visit at the Forest Park headquarters, they went westward to their home in Dallas, Ore., and the Salt Creek Baptist Church. Their address is Dallas, Ore.

natives who come to see how the farm is doing, as well as others who come to work some portion of it in return for a coveted better quality chicken or a young pig. We value these contacts and the opportunities they offer.

Then again, we are promoting this agricultural program because through it we hope to develop methods of self-support for our native churches. The possibilities are many. Schemes must be built around the existing way of life of these people. They are an agricultural people, but they raise only enough food for their own needs. That is why we cannot depend on local markets to buy any of our own food. Large crops to be sold for profit are non-existent in the area, although farming land is plentiful. There would

be a ready market from traveling traders. This is one suggestion to be given the Christians for earning contribution money for the church.

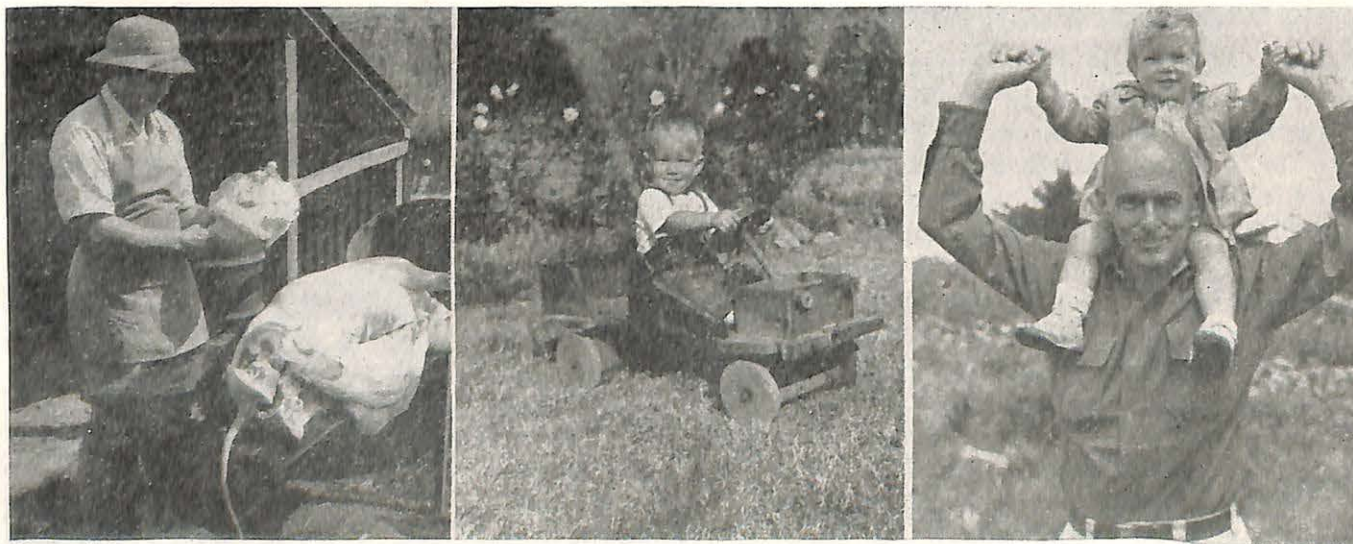
GOD'S ACRE PLAN

If such a project does not appeal to them as individuals, there is the suggestion that they work in cooperative groups. This is an existing tribal custom and would be easily understandable to these people. They have various age-group societies which work as a group, preparing each others' farms for planting, or building a hut, or any large task at hand. Such a group could be formed within the church and a plot of land selected, prepared, planted and cultivated on their free time.

The money from this produce would go toward paying the church-worker, building the church, and whatever expenses are necessary. This is much the same idea as the "God's Acre Plan" practiced in the rural South in America. Farm produce, chickens, pigs, goats, or whatever is available can be given as a contribution as such, or marketed and the money given.

There is another phase to consider. This area in the Cameroons has no

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Candid snapshots from the Cameroons, Africa, taken by Missionary Laura E. Reddig, showing (left) Missionary Gilbert Schneider admiring a large ham from a butchered pig in the mission co-operative; (center) Evan Schneider in his little wooden car which Walter Gebauer gave him; and (right) Marjorie Chaffee enjoying a free ride on the shoulders of Paul Gebauer, Cameroons Baptist Mission superintendent.

The Dynamic Personality of My Dad

A son's appreciation of his father's Christian faith and denominational services for the observance of Father's Day, June 17

By DR. E. MILTON STAUB of Westfield, New Jersey

I SUPPOSE most of us do not appreciate our friends until we have them no more, and that is especially true of our parents. As I recently went through the rooms where my father, E. Elmer Staub, so shortly walked, and examined his belongings, his papers and his account books, and as I reflected on the things he told me, and recalled many stories which I had thought I had forgotten, I became startlingly aware that Dad was a person with such a dynamic personality that I can never again live without the influence of his life upon mine. In a sense he is more than one of my parents. He is, in fact, an example of what anyone can make of himself in America. That is, what anyone can make of himself with the help of Jesus Christ and conscientious hard work.

Dad was born in one of the poorer parts of Philadelphia, Pa., the third child of a tailor, Adolph Staub. Dad's twin brother died shortly after birth and when Dad was but six years of age, his father also died. Those were in the times of the great financial panic and the task of keeping the two boys and two girls in the Staub family proved too much for the hard working mother. So the boys were placed in the home for orphans, Girard College, and one of the girls sent to the grandmother.

GIRARD COLLEGE

Life at Girard College in those days was strict and unlike the present college atmosphere which pervades this remarkable pleasant institution. Nor did Dad appreciate the opportunities which it gave to him until many years later. In fact, stories which have been related to me assure me that he was not unlike any other mischievous fellow who has no dad and must be sent away because of inadequate family resources. It was a welcome day for Dad when reaching sixteen he could leave the high walls behind and live his own life without restraint.

But it was no easier outside of the walls. An office boy's job was the best he could get, and the country's economic status was still dark. It was at this early age, however, that Dad made two decisions which he carried out to the end of his sixty-seven years.

The first was to follow Christ and accept him as his personal Savior, and the other was to do all in his power to increase his knowledge. So he joined the Second German Church, now Pilgrim Baptist Church in Philadelphia after his baptism, and also enrolled in night school, which he continued for a number of years.

When he married Emmy Flury, my mother, she too lived in a family struggling financially because her father had died at an early age. Even

tithe, and at least one tenth of everything Dad received was given to increase the spread of the Gospel. That habit was never changed except to increase the allotment of giving. Dad often told me that he never knew anyone who tithed faithfully who was in want.

GOD'S REWARDS

In America, there has always been a reward, sooner or later, for the hard worker with faith in God, the future,



—Photo by Herman Siemund
Mr. E. Elmer Staub of Detroit, Mich. (right), at the Forest Park Baptist Church in April 1950 with his two good friends, Dr. William Kuhn (center) 81 years of age; and Mr. H. P. Donner (left) 90 years of age.

after I was born, Dad continued at night school after working long hours in the day. Things were not easy and salary increases were infrequent. Mother tells me of occasions when he worked in New York, N. Y., and lived in a suburb of Newark, N. J., she would have supper waiting and he would not appear until several hours later due to overtime work. He did not have the extra twenty-five cents with which to telephone Mother, and besides, there was no phone in the home.

Yes, living was cheaper then, but the income proportionally was much less than today. But their mothers were helped and something was saved regularly for a rainy day. But still more important was the resolution to

and himself. Dad did reap rewards! Eventually he became accounting manager, and vice-president as well as one of the members of the Board of Directors of a large automobile company. In those days his salary was substantial, but Dad has never been rich, nor even wealthy. His love for the church and for his Lord and for his fellow-men, kept him from accumulating the major part of his income.

I have discovered that at times more than half of what he earned was given away. Seldom was anyone in need turned away empty-handed. As a result, he was often imposed upon, but his remarks were, "I am so thankful that I have been blessed in such

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Our Greatest Denominational Advance

A Report of the Annual Sessions of the General Council and General Missionary Committee by the REV. MARTIN L. LEUSCHNER, Promotional Secretary

LIKE A BURNING pillar of fire, the Presence of the Lord God is going before us as North American Baptists. This was demonstrated at the annual sessions of the General Council and Missionary Committee at the Forest Park headquarters from April 23 to 27, when our greatest denominational advance was launched with fervent faith and overwhelming joy. As North American Baptists we have heeded the call of the One who, not only sends us into all the world, but who also goes before us with enabling power to carry out his will. So read on and rejoice that the Lord Jesus Christ has committed such great tasks into our hands!

SEVEN NEW MISSIONARIES

Three new missionaries were appointed by the General Missionary Committee for the Cameroons mission field. These young people, in addition to the Rev. and Mrs. Howard Roth of Portland, Ore., who were appointed last December, will make a Cameroons staff of 29 missionaries. This is by far the largest number of missionaries we have ever had on the Cameroons field.

The Missionary Committee and General Council also approved the opening of a new mission field for us as North American Baptists in Japan. Three gifted and consecrated young people, who have had a heavy burden of concern for the Japanese people, have been appointed as our first missionaries to the Land of the Rising Sun.

Another missionary was appointed for the Bull Reservation among the Indians of Alberta, Canada. The sum of \$10,000 has been designated for the building of a mission chapel on the Bull Reserve in memory of the late Rev. Fred W. Benke, the beloved friend of the Indians in the Name of Christ. This will be our first recognized missionary activity on this Bull Reserve in addition to the Montana field where the Rev. and Mrs. Reinhard Neuman are working.

The greatest advance of all will be made in the Cameroons with the building of the new Bansa Hospital where Dr. Leslie Chaffee has rendered such monumental services. These new buildings will provide the desperately needed facilities for wards for the patients, surgical rooms, operating X-ray unit with power plant, staff and lecture rooms and laundry-kitchen annex. For this year the sum

of \$15,000 will be raised for the new Bansa Hospital buildings.

MISSION TO THE LEPERS

God's greatest blessings come to those who dare great things for him! Through Paul Gebauer, our superintendent on the mission field, an offer has come from the British Government for the sole control of the care of lepers in Bamenda province. The British government will give capital grants toward maintenance and temporary buildings. The local governments will be asked to contribute regularly toward huts for the patients, to be controlled in a central camp.

We would be expected to build a central camp for a maximum of 500 leper patients, a hospital with 60 beds and housing for foreign and African staff members. The doctor in charge would have to plan to open centers throughout the province for the con-

sultation of suspects. The offer covers a period of five years to be financed by Empire funds.

What is expected of us? This is the amazing story of God's blessing. We would provide the doctor, one nurse (male preferred), and at least one missionary couple to take over the evangelistic and educational efforts as well as management of the camp. Their salaries would be paid out of government grants, except for the managing missionary whose salary would be paid only so long as building activities are in progress. The entire leper missionary work would cost us only an estimated maximum of \$5000 for the next year, with its blessings beyond estimate in the Cameroons.

HOME MISSION FIELDS

There is still more to this inspiring story of denominational advance! Home mission fields are opening to us. This is the hour to go ahead! The General Council has approved the raising of \$12,000 for the South Edmonton Project in which the Central Baptist Church, the Christian Training Institute, the new mission field in Edmonton, Alberta, and the denomination will have a part. An entire block of property is to be purchased, where a new Baptist church will be started and additional facilities for the Christian Training Institute will be provided. There are wonderful prospects for such a new church in South Edmonton near the present C.T.I. buildings. This is only a beginning, but it is a step forward in the right direction!

The home mission field of Lemmon, S. Dak., has been recognized with the appointment by the General Missionary Committee of a missionary for that field. This growing and thriving community of South Dakota has no Baptist church. Several families of our people are living there and other Baptists are there in goodly numbers. It is another Macedonian call which comes to us in these glorious days of opportunity and grace!

Now for a review of the actual sessions! The Rev. Richard Schilke, the new missionary secretary, proved himself to be a capable and efficient leader of the Missionary Committee. He has been divinely led to the work for such a time as this! The committee with the Rev. L. B. Holzer as chairman made the many appointments for home mission pastors. Salaries were raised in many in-

stances to the maximum of \$2400 plus parsonage for such pastors. The two evangelists, the Reverends A. S. Felberg and Herman Palfenier, were re-appointed. About \$4000 were approved for the support of our Baptist missionaries in Austria, including the Rev. Carl Fuellbrandt of Salzburg, Austria. Several Baptist ministers in Rumania receive salary grants amounting to \$720.

MISSIONARY APPOINTEES

The resignation of Miss Hilda Toibert as Cameroons missionary nurse (see "What's Happening" page in this issue) was accepted with sincere regret. Miss Ardice Ziolkowski of Wadena, Sask., was appointed as a Cameroons missionary in her place. Miss Ziolkowski is a member of the West Ebenezer Baptist Church of Saskatchewan, Canada. She is a registered nurse, has had a year of study at Edmonton's Christian Training Institute and was highly recommended by all who know her.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holzimmer of Detroit, Mich., members of the Burns Avenue Church, were also appointed for the Cameroons mission field. Both have been studying at the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, Ill., for the past several years. They and their family of two children are eager to sail for Africa and to serve their Lord among the Cameroons natives. The Burns Ave. Church of Detroit and the First Baptist Church of Costa Mesa, Calif., have stated that they will support them financially for the next four years.

For the new field in Japan the appointment of the General Missionary Committee went to Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hirth of Chicago, Ill. They are members of the Foster Avenue Church of Chicago, and at present students at Columbia Bible College, Columbia, South Carolina.

In addition, Miss Florence J. Miller of Benton Harbor, Mich., has been appointed for the Japan field. She is at present serving as missionary for the Erin Avenue Church of Cleveland, Ohio, of which her brother, the Rev. Edwin Miller, is the pastor. She has received the finest training for this task at Wheaton College and is unusually gifted for missionary service in the Orient. Introductory articles about these new missionaries will appear in forthcoming issues of the HERALD.

GENERAL COUNCIL

The General Council spent two busy days at its tremendous task on April 26 and 27 under the chairmanship of Dr. George A. Lang. Reports from the various cooperating societies were heard. A denominational financial program of \$450,000 for the coming year was approved, which will include \$75,000 for special projects and



Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holzimmer of Detroit, Mich., members of the Burns Ave. Baptist Church, with their children Juanita Joy (left) and Miriam (right), our most recent missionary appointees for the Cameroons, Africa.

which are itemized elsewhere on these pages.

The General Council has approved the holding of about 30 or 32 conferences on evangelism during September, October and November of this year. This program with detailed dates will be announced at the forthcoming summer conferences and in future issues of our publications. It has also approved a recommendation from the secretarial staff that one of our ministers, who will soon be available, be recognized as the denominational interim and supply pastor.

During the week the following denominational committees met and carried on many transactions after

earnest and prayerful consideration: Committee on Education, Finance and Investment Committee, Church and Parsonage Loan Committee, Pension Fund Committee, and Pastors' Fellowship Executive Committee. An eight-page brochure will be distributed at all the summer conferences with written reports by the cooperating societies.

MISSIONARY RALLY

On Thursday evening, April 26, a public meeting was held in the Forest Park Baptist Church with a large congregation of members from the various churches of Chicago and vicinity. Musical numbers were furnished by the Forest Park Church (Continued on Page 24)

DENOMINATIONAL FINANCIAL PROGRAM FOR NEXT YEAR	
\$450,000	
This includes the following:	
\$375,000 for Operating Budget	
\$75,000 for Special Projects.	
List of Special Projects for Over and Above the Budget Gifts—	
Bansa Hospital Buildings	\$15,000
Cameroons Building	
Projects	10,000
Missionary Advance and Appointments in Japan and the Cameroons	25,000
Leprosy Work, Bamenda, Cameroons	5,000
Benke Memorial Chapel, Bull Reserve, Indian Field	10,000
Increase in Mission Pastors' Salaries	5,000
Christian Training Institute, Additional Facilities	12,000
New Home Mission Field Dakota Conference	3,000
Total	\$85,000
Less special appropriation already made	10,000
Amount to be raised	\$75,000



Three missionary leaders at the public meeting for the Chicago area on Thursday evening, April 26. Left to right: Rev. Richard Schilke, general missionary secretary; Rev. George Henderson, Cameroons missionary; Rev. L. B. Holzer, chairman of the Mission Committee.

Our Edmonton Bible School

The report of the commencement exercises held by the Christian Training Institute of Edmonton, Alberta

By DR. FRANK H. WOYKE,
Executive Secretary of the North American Baptist General Conference

THE LARGE AUDIENCE of a thousand people, gathered for the commencement exercises of the Christian Training Institute at Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, was asked to rise for the closing prayer and benediction. In the hush that followed the benediction, several students began singing the Institute theme song, "Living for Jesus." Others joined in the singing and soon a mighty chorus filled the auditorium:

"Living for Jesus a life that is true,
Striving to please him in all that I do;
Yielding allegiance, glad-hearted and free,
This is the pathway of blessing for me."

With the words of this great hymn on their lips and in their hearts, more

rendered two beautiful numbers: "Great and Marvelous" and "I Would Be True." The male chorus sang, "Balm in Gilead."

The premier of the province of Alberta, the Honorable Mr. E. C. Manning, honored the Institute with his presence, speaking briefly to the graduates on the subject, "God's Time and God's Road." He pointed to the fact that so many Christians want to serve God when they please and in the way that they themselves choose. In words ringing with sincerity, Premier Manning challenged the graduates, and with them, all who were present, to surrender completely to the will of God, serving him when he calls and as he directs.

ers in his Kingdom, we are expected to walk in purity and holiness. Our Lord also said: "Be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only."

LARGE GRADUATING CLASS

The scholarships, prizes and Christian workers' certificates were announced and distributed by various members of the faculty. Following this, President E. P. Wahl handed the diplomas to the members of the graduating class of the Institute. The graduating class of twelve was the largest in the history of the school. Eleven students are finishing high school this year, and twenty students received Christian workers' certificates after completing two years of study at the Institute.

The closing exercises of the Institute actually began on Sunday, April 1, when the Rev. Harrison Villett, principal of Alberta College, delivered the baccalaureate sermon on the subject, "The Swelling of the Jordan." On Tuesday evening, April 3, the Rev. Daniel Fuchs delivered a brief address, and the students presented the play, "Pontius Pilate." On Wednesday evening, April 4, the student chorus beautifully presented the cantata, "Crucifixion" by Stainer, under the skillful direction of Mr. Robert Neske of the faculty. Daytime services were held in the chapel of the Institute. Some of these services were conducted by students. At other meetings, messages were delivered by the following: Rev. Walter Stein, Rev. F. E. Klein, Rev. Henry Schumacher, Rev. H. Schatz, Rev. F. H. Woyke and Rev. Axel Fugelsang.

ANNUAL BOARD SESSION

The Board of Trustees held its annual session on Friday, April 6. The reports revealed that the Institute could look back upon a highly successful year of service. In the evening, the members of the Board joined with the student body in a delightful hour of fellowship. There was time for the singing of choruses, testimonies, refreshments and conversation. Everyone departed on his way rejoicing over the blessings received and over the splendid ministry of the Christian Training Institute.



1951 Graduates of the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta.

(Left to right, standing: Bruno Voss, Dan Derksen, Arlene Scheeler, Jean Archer, Beatrice Paschke, Lawrence Larson and Leslie Zilkie.
Seated: Herda Heinrich, Lorraine Grabia, Flora Kramer, Ruth Grabia and Phyllis Grunwald.)

than one hundred students of the Christian Training Institute closed another year of study and service.

INSPIRING PROGRAM

The commencement service, held at the First Presbyterian Church of Edmonton on Thursday evening, April 5, had been most inspiring. The Rev. Daniel Fuchs, chairman of the Board of Trustees, served as the genial presiding officer. The student chorus

The commencement address was delivered by Professor Albert Bretschneider, Huntley Professor of Church History at the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak. His subject was "The Challenge of Christ to Youth of Today." Using the words of our Lord as recorded in the Scriptures, he challenged the graduates, first of all, to purity of life. Our Lord said: "Be ye perfect." As followers of Christ and as work-

Annual Meeting of the Publication Board

A Report of a Gratifying Year of Service
by the REV. ROBERT SCHREIBER, Secretary of the Publication Board

ANOTHER YEAR in the ministry of Roger Williams Press has come to a close. The Publication Board met in Cleveland, Ohio, on Friday, April 21, in order to review the activities of the past year and, with the guidance of the Lord, to plan for the coming year. In many respects the past year has been a gratifying and successful one, especially as we view with satisfaction the part played by our denominational publications in promoting the spiritual life and missionary vision of our people. The work of Roger Williams Press is indispensable in this respect, and we praise the Lord for the faithful labors of all the workers connected with our Publication House. The influence of the printed word can never be fully measured.

OUR PUBLICATIONS

Both the "Baptist Herald" and "Der Sendbote" continue to be the most popular publications with subscriptions of over 8500 and 4100 respectively. The new arrangement of publishing these periodicals in alternate weeks has been in effect for some time, and it has resulted in a saving of time and in a better working schedule at the plant. However, we regret to announce that the relentless rise in costs of materials and labor has compelled the Board to vote an increase in the subscription rates. Effective July 1, 1951 the subscription rates will be \$3.00 per year with Club Plan rates at \$2.50 per year. Our capable editors, Dr. M. L. Leuschner and Rev. W. J. Luebeck, are constantly striving to improve the content and appearance of these papers, and consequently we are confident that this necessary step will evoke a favorable response from our people.

"Salute," our newest publication, has received some splendid compliments. Here again the desire is constantly to improve in order to provide the type of paper that is needed. We would heartily recommend it to our Sunday Schools as a story paper for Juniors. Even if you are already distributing a paper to this age group, "Salute" will be an invaluable addition because of its denominational information that calls forth increased missionary interest on the part of these young people. Miss Martha Leyboldt is doing a commendable job as editor of this publication.

Most of our churches are again becoming reconciled to the absence of a

large portion of the young men who are being called into the service. Your Board also considered this fact and made plans to meet the situation. During the last war many young men in service received the "Baptist Herald." Those Service Men's subscriptions have again been made available. The organization or individual ordering the Baptist Herald for a Service Man is asked to pay \$1.50. The balance will be paid by the denomination and Roger Williams Press. We are certain that the response to this offer will again justify this worthy project.

We would again remind our churches that student subscriptions to the "Baptist Herald" are available at \$1.50 for a nine-month period. These may be sent to any young people attending schools away from home.

With the coming year 1952 "Der Sendbote" will have attained its one hundredth year and the "Baptist Herald" its thirtieth year. Plans are already being made to observe these significant anniversaries both through the pages of the publications and at the next General Conference.

Our Bible Fund continues its missionary ministry in the distribution of Bibles and tracts. Contributions received through the observance of Bible Day in our churches are designated for this fund. Our German tract, "Der Wegweiser," is being distributed widely in Germany and Austria as well as among the German-speaking immigrants to Canada. In this year \$2000 will be used to help the Publication Society in Germany provide

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Mr. H. P. Donner's 90th Birthday

A Report of a Birthday Celebration With the Publication Board
by the REV. MARTIN L. LEUSCHNER

IF ANY medals were to be handed out in our denominational ranks for unique Christian achievements, a large share of them would go to Mr. H. P. Donner of Cleveland, Ohio. This was recognized by the members and friends of the Publication Board on Friday evening, April 20, in Cleveland when Mr. Donner was honored at a festive gathering on his ninetieth birthday.

Brother Donner served for more than thirty years as the business manager of our Publication Society. For many decades he has been an outstanding witness for Christ as a Christian, a church leader, Sunday School teacher and speaker. He has frequently appeared on the platform of General Conference programs and served as guest speaker at various assemblies and conventions. Often he has been taken to be an ordained minister and he has had many invitations to supply Baptist pulpits.

Last Summer he went by plane to Palestine and several European countries. He has been kept busy since then, telling the story of his pilgrimage in the land where Jesus trod. He is now making an exhaustive study of the great revival movements of history in order to understand God's present dealings with mankind. His intercessory prayers for our pastors,

leaders and churches are the great burden of his soul in these days.

In his ninetieth year he is still strong and serene, a perfect picture of "a Christian gentleman," as he was characterized at the reception in his honor. With spiritual poise and radiance, his words command the attention of his listeners. His voice is still clear and vibrant with passionate earnestness. His convictions of faith cut like a two-edged sword. He is dressed immaculately and neatly. The crowning glory of his life on his ninetieth birthday revealed the blessings of God so richly bestowed on him and the rigid spiritual discipline to which he has subjected himself throughout the years. Brother Donner is the true embodiment of Christian greatness!

The twenty-two people of the Publication Board and invited guests around the festive tables in the Cleveland restaurant on the evening of April 20 felt that they were being honored by Brother Donner's presence. He had left a sick bed in order to attend this celebration. Mr. Harold Johns, president of the Board, had provided orchid corsages for the women and red carnations for the men. Mrs. Samuel Blum, widow of the former editor of "Der Sendbote," was also in attendance and her husband's ministry was recognized in

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God's Blessings on Our Visitation Evangelists

A Report About the Ministry of 13 Visitation Evangelists
by the REV. MARTIN L. LEUSCHNER, Promotional Secretary

"NO TROUBLE is too great to take for a human soul." This was a word spoken to Dr. Clarence E. Macartney of Pittsburgh, Pa., when he commended his friend for his evangelistic zeal. It is a word which we as North American Baptist churches must keep before ourselves at this time!

Our triennial objective is still 7000 souls to be won for Christ and to be added to our churches through baptism. We are far behind in the attainment of this objective. But every emphasis is to be given to soul winning in our churches, so that we might come to the General Conference in Philadelphia, Pa., in August 1952 with praise to God for his blessings in a great harvest of souls.

VISITATION EVANGELISM

During recent months an inspiring program of Visitation Evangelism has been carried out by some of our pastors. As Jesus sent out his disciples two by two, so these men of God were sent as Visitation Evangelists to two and three churches of ours with blessed, abiding results.

Thirteen ministers were appointed for this evangelistic ministry by the General Council through the secretarial staff. They served more than forty churches, with requests for this ministry coming from an additional group of about twenty churches. The congregations of these pastors released their leaders with a wonderful spirit of co-operation for which we are thankful.

The final results cannot be tabulated as yet, but most of the reports have been glowing and praiseworthy. Many souls have been saved. Christians have been enlisted as soul winners. Churches have been strengthened in their devotion to Christ. We can firmly believe that fires of evangelistic fervor have been kindled in many places which should help to emblazon EVANGELISM across the portals of our denomination.

PASTORS WHO SERVED

The Rev. Walter C. Damrau, pastor of the Pilgrim Church of Philadelphia, Pa., served the churches of Hettinger, N. Dak.; Billings, Mont.; and Plevna, Mont.; for one week each in April, closing his appreciated ministry on May 11. He also assisted the Rev. Roy Seibel in the holding of similar meetings in his church in Philadelphia.

The Rev. Daniel Fuchs, minister of the large McDermot Avenue Baptist

Church of Winipeg, Manitoba, carried out the work of visitation evangelism in the Dickinson County Church of Elmo, Kans.; the Shell Creek Church near Columbus, Neb.; and the Baptist Church of LaSalle, Colo.; from April 14 to May 4. In addition, he attended the session of the General Council as the representative of the Edmonton C.T.I.

The Rev. Edwin Miller, pastor of the Erin Avenue Church of Cleveland, Ohio, had the busiest program of all the evangelists. These meetings also recorded the greatest number of conversions. In March he served as evangelist at Victor, Iowa, and the Immanuel Church of Kenosha, Wis. In April he spent a week each at Okeene and Ingersoll, Okla. In the Zion Baptist Church of Okeene he was used mightily of God for a spiritual revival of the church in uniting the people there in their love to Christ.

The Rev. Roy Seibel, pastor of the Central Baptist Church of Waco, Texas, spent four weeks in this evangelistic ministry with great effectiveness. He reported twenty-four conversions during the meetings held at the Pilgrim Church at Philadelphia, Pa.; the Union Church of Arnold, Pa. (see report in this issue); and for two weeks at the Immanuel Church of Kankakee, Ill.

CALLING FOR A MISSIONARY DOCTOR

The General Missionary Committee at its annual session in Forest Park, Ill., April 24-25, with much prayer and under the guidance of the Holy Spirit went on record to launch out in a new mission to lepers in the British Cameroons. The Government of Bamenda province has made us a wonderful offer and is desirous that we undertake this mission. We accepted the offer. One of the first prerequisites is to obtain a doctor to give proper medical care. Without a doctor we cannot undertake this mission.

Who is there who hears this Macedonian call? Will you answer? "Here am I, send me!"

Write immediately to:

REV. R. SCHILKE,
General Missionary Secretary,
P. O. Box 6
Forest Park, Illinois.

The Rev. Paul Loth of the Bethel Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y., served with the blessing of the Holy Spirit in April at Elsmere, Del., and the Fellowship Church of Passaic, New Jersey.

FAITHFUL IN THEIR MINISTRY

The Rev. Rubin Kern of the Ebenzer Church of Vancouver, B. C., was a visitation evangelist for two weeks at Startup and Odessa, Wash.

The Rev. Howard Johnson of Steamboat Rock, spent a week before Easter at the Central Church of Waco, Texas, and another week at the Canaan Church near Crawford, Texas, besides participating in the program of the North Texas Association.

The Rev. Alfred Weisser of Lodi, Calif., the president of the Pastors' Fellowship, spent three weeks in May at the three Northern Michigan churches: Beaver, Alpena, and Gladwin.

The Rev. Henry Pfeifer of Edmonton, Alberta, served our church in Regina, Sask., with great effectiveness.

The Rev. Herman Palfenier, denominational evangelist, was also asked to serve in this program of visitation evangelism at the Glencullen Church, near Portland, Ore., and at Wolf Point, Mont.

The Rev. Arthur Fischer of McClusky, N. Dak., spent most of May in Canada serving our churches at Medicine Hat, Alberta; Hilda, Alberta; and Golden Prairie, Sask., as visitation evangelist.

The Rev. R. Milbrandt of Medicine Hat, Alberta, served the Grace Baptist Church of Kelowna, B. C., and Morris, Manitoba, for one week of special meetings and a program of visitation evangelism.

The Rev. Hugo Lueck of Edmonton, Alberta, teacher on the Christian Training Institute staff, was scheduled to render a similar service at Calgary, Alberta, Nokomis and Davin, Sask.

EVANGELISTIC WITNESS

It is a joy to report that our ministers and churches are eager to be of service in this important evangelistic witness. They also find "no trouble too great to take for a human soul." This has been another effort in the program of visitation evangelism with many effective results. But the greatest blessing will always be the ministry of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of people, completing the work begun by human agencies in sowing the seed of God's Word unto life eternal!

Adventures in Christian Reading

A Friendly Chat Concerning Several Good Books Recently Published as
Told by the REV. WILLIAM L. SCHOEFFEL of the Grace Baptist Church,
Chicago, Illinois

● **THE WHITE WITCH DOCTOR** by Louise A. Steintorf. Westminster Press. 276 pp. \$3.00.

We heard a good deal about this fascinating tale, so we turned to it with eager anticipation. What a thrilling enjoyment we had a few winter evenings, forgetting the cold and slippery streets and instead found ourselves trekking the humid and sun-burned grasslands of Equatorial Africa. "The White Witch Doctor" is the story of Ellen Burton, an Indiana farm maid, who in spite of advanced years, answered the call of the mission field. After taking a regular course in medicine and nursing she volunteered and accepted the call to the Congo district.

Her father's estate left her sufficient funds to give her a feeling of independence, for which she was often envied and more often misunderstood, by her fellow-missionaries. However, early in life she learned to stand on her own feet, the hard way, which brought her rich returns on the mission field. We are fascinated by her first adventures, with mud-huts, strange food, snakes and African diseases, some of them most repulsive. Highly amusing is her effort to provide fresh meat for herself and fellow-missionaries by learning the art of hunting. Her first effort brought down several "hippos" although she left the river bank depressed, believing she had failed and would never become a Diana of the African fields.

Her lasting work was with the pygmy people, a neglected and sadly forgotten bit of humanity of the African hinterland. After many years of labor, often most distressing, she was honored by an offer of marriage by the chieftain himself although he had more wives than he knew what to do with. The gems of human character she discovered among these backward people is worth the price of the novel itself.

Indeed, this novel is not only fascinating reading but highly entertaining and occasionally devotional. You will want to read out loud passages either to your family or friends. My good wife joins me in recommending this novel to all the woman's missionary societies but we call on you brethren: "Don't miss this novel. It might seem unimportant to you, being a woman's story, but don't kid yourself, I for one got a big "kick" out of it. And I'm sure you will, too. Read it!"

● **"A MONK IN ARMOR"** by Gladys Barr. Abingdon Cokesbury Press. \$3.00.

One would hardly imagine a greater contrast in reading than "The White Witch Doctor" and "A Monk in Armor." Moreover, if the brethren turned thumbs down on the former book, they certainly will want to read this one. It is really a "he" man's book. At first we turned to it hesitatingly for there are so many books calling constantly, "You have not read me;" "Read me!" But the reward was unusually rich and I for one insisted that my good wife should read it, too.

This historical novel deals with the life of Martin Luther until 1525. It is the story of young Luther. It begins with the poverty stricken home of his parents, and we find him singing Christmas carols for alms and thus meeting with the great Savonara from whom he receives a gold coin. In a tender manner it reveals the love affair of young Luther with Countess Fredericka, who saw more in him than a poor law-student and herself proposed marriage after his graduation from the university. Intense and soul-stirring is his search for inward peace and happiness; this finally leads him into the Augustinian monastery.

He renounces love, home, career, all earthly ambitions although the doors of life were opening quite promisingly to him. His friends and sweetheart try their utmost to lure him back to their way of living, only to discover Luther's sincere and earnest and almost stubborn resolve to give his whole life in Christian service. But did he find the peace and happiness of his soul? Not in the cloister, not on his pilgrimage to Rome, but in Paul's letter to the Romans: "Man is saved by faith alone."

He rises from his knees a new man, and God's champion is ready to step out into the arena to begin the battle of the centuries. Convinced of the eternal truth of salvation, that not by works but by faith only is man saved, shaken to the depth of his soul by the fraud and immorality of the church leaders including the pope, Luther nails the 95 theses of protest against the door of the Wittenberg

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Cathedral. He never thought himself in the role of a reformer, but thought only of uncovering the unspirituality of the fraudulent church practices and stressing the return to the biblical teachings.

However, events slowly forced him into open clashes with the church leaders which finally ended with banishment by the pope. Under the watchful eyes of his protector Prince Frederick of Saxony, he spends long weary months at the Wartburg, putting in his time in the translation of the German Bible.

There are many fine passages that delight the heart and at other times tear at the soul. The reader instinctively is drawn into the fray.

● **HERE I STAND: a Life of Martin Luther.** By Roland Bainton. Abingdon Cokesbury Press. 424 pp. \$4.75.

Whereas the above story is a historical novel quite true to the facts, here we have history in prose, but written so cleverly and graphically that for once history reads like a novel. The price frightened us, so we were fortunate in getting a copy from the library only to resolve to get it for our own favorite bookshelf at the next opportunity. It's worth having and re-reading.

It's a grand and delightful book, fine paper and good print and richly illustrated with more than 100 rare woodcuts and engravings from Luther's own time. It not only covers the period told so fascinatingly by "A Monk in Armor" but goes on to reveal the factors that made for the development of the Reformation and the beginning of Protestantism. Here you really get acquainted with Melancthon, Zwingli and other leaders of the Reformation as well as the true background of the mighty and majestic hymn of the Reformation.

After you have read the two books mentioned above you will gain a new and deeper appreciation of the great hymn of the Reformation, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," and its corollary, "Faith of Our Fathers, Living Still." The value of these books lies in their undergirding of our faith by the experience of the immortal dead who have gone on before us and who like a cloud of witnesses want to guide us in these days of upheaval, uncertainty and often superficial living. Yes! "God's truth abideth still, his Kingdom is forever."

WHAT'S HAPPENING

● The Pilgrim Baptist Church of Jersey City, New Jersey, has extended a call to Dr. William J. Appel, the associate pastor of the Baptist Temple, Philadelphia, Pa., and the former minister of the Evergreen Baptist Church of Brooklyn, N. Y. He has accepted the call and began his ministry in the Pilgrim Church on June 1st, succeeding the Rev. Robert W. Cook, now of Bethlehem, Pa.

● The Baptist Church of Bessie, Okla., has given a call to Mr. Jacob Ehman, who recently was graduated from the North American Baptist Seminary of Sioux Falls, S. Dak. Mr. Ehman's home church was the Baptist Church of Ashley, N. Dak. He and his wife will begin their ministry in Bessie on June 17, where they will succeed the Rev. George Neubert, now of Beatrice, Nebraska.

● The West Center Street Baptist Church of Madison, South Dakota, has extended a call to the Rev. Fred Schmidt which he has responded favorably. He will begin his pastorate in Madison on August 1st, succeeding Professor Herbert Hiller, succeeding Professor Her- Bapt Seminary faculty. Mr. Schmidt has been serving the Turtle Lake and Mercer churches since 1946.

● The Rev. George Henderson, one of our Cameroons missionaries stationed at Victoria, British West Africa, served as the baccalaureate speaker at Toccoa Falls College, Toccoa Falls, Georgia, on Sunday morning, June 3rd. He is a 1946 graduate of this school. It was a unique honor for him to return to this school campus with his wife for this occasion and to bring the baccalaureate message during the commencement festivities.

● On Sunday evening, April 29, the Rev. Thomas Lutz, pastor of the Baptist Church of North Freedom, Wisconsin, baptized five young people. These young people, ranging in age from 10 to 14 years, gave a splendid testimony before the large audience as they stepped into the baptismal waters, following into the large audience as they followed the message by Mr. Lutz on "Scriptural Baptism." The pastor added to his report: "These young people will be a wonderful addition to our church."

● The Baptist Church of Cathay, N. Dak., has extended a call to Mr. Lawrence Bienert, a member of the 1951 graduating class of the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux

Falls, S. Dak., to serve as its pastor. Mr. Bienert has responded favorably and he and his wife hope to begin their ministry in Cathay soon after Aug. 1st. Mr. Bienert comes from the First Baptist Church of Leduc, Alberta. In Cathay he will succeed the Rev. Walter Schmidt, now of Arnprior, Ontario.

● The Woman's Missionary Union of New York City and Vicinity held its semi-annual meeting at the Walnut St. Church of Newark, N. J., on Thursday, May 17. The guest speaker at the afternoon session was Mrs. G. Harold Hill of the Evangel Church, Newark, N. J. The devotions were led by Mrs. Richard Pusch. Mrs. M. Rieger brought the obituary report. The Rev. Paul Wengel of the Ridgewood Baptist Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., was the guest speaker at the well attended evening service.

● The Plum Creek Baptist Church near Emery, S. Dak., has called Mr. Adolph Braun of the 1951 graduating class of our Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., as its pastor. Mr. Braun has answered affirmatively and began his ministry in the Plum Creek Church on April 22nd. He has been a member of the Beaver Baptist Church of Midland, Michigan. He was a member of the Seminary Quartet known as "The Gospel Harmonizers" that toured our churches in 1949. In the Plum Creek Church he has succeeded the Rev. G. W. Rutsch, now of Gackle, N. Dak.

● On Monday evening, March 26, the members and friends of the Baptist Church at Glidden, Sask., held a farewell reception for their supply pastor and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heffke. During the service Mr. Heffke was presented with a monetary gift as well as with many good wishes for the Lord's blessing in the future. During the summer months Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heffke will serve the mission field in the Peace River district north of Edmonton. This will be under the sponsorship of the General Missionary Committee.

● The Baptist Church of Valley View, Canada, one of our most northern Canadian churches, has extended a call to Mr. Eldon Janzen of the 1951 graduating class of our Seminary in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., to become its pastor. This church has been without a minister since the Rev. Robert Jaster left for Nokomis, Sask., more than a year ago. Mr. and Mrs. Janzen are

acquainted with the Valley View mission field, having served as summer students in the church and at Vacation Bible Schools there several years ago. They will begin their ministry in Valley View on August 1st.

● On Easter Sunday evening, March 25, the Baptist Church of Cathay, N. Dak., presented its Men's Chorus in a sacred concert under the direction of Miss Alice Strogies. The theme of the concert, "In the Shadow of the Cross," was depicted in song by the chorus and in a message by the pastor, the Rev. Walter Schmidt, who brought his ministry in Cathay to a close on April 17. Beautiful flowers and a lighted white cross added to the effectiveness of the service. The program was climaxed by the rendition of Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus."

● Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schwerin of Burlington, Iowa, returned from a 36 day cruise to Venezuela, South America, on April 12. They enjoyed their ocean trip on the "S.S. Shirley Lykes" with stops at Santiago, Cuba, and the ports in Venezuela, and at Neuvitas, Cuba, the largest sugar loading port in the world. Mr. Schwerin is the chairman of the denomination's Finance Committee and has been prominently identified with General Conference preparations, the Seminary Building Fund and denominational committees.

● The Woman's Missionary Society of Mercer, N. Dak., held its annual election of officers on April 27 with the following results: Mrs. Herbert Fiedler, president; Mrs. Fred Wagner, vice-president; Mrs. Elmer Peterson, treasurer; and Mrs. Emanuel Bauer, secretary. The group of 16 women has been busy with its programs and activities of fancy work and the sale of homemade baked goods. It has helped to make repairs in the church basement and kitchen. The Rev. Fred Schmidt is the pastor of the church.

● On Sunday, May 13, the new edifice of the Temple Baptist Church of Leduc, Alberta, was dedicated. The main service was held in the afternoon with many visitors from nearby churches in attendance. The Rev. E. P. Wahl of Edmonton, president of the Christian Training Institute, served as the guest speaker. The new church which replaced the former edifice that was destroyed by fire cost about \$18,000. The Rev. H. Schatz of Calgary began his pastorate in the Temple Church of Leduc on May 27.

● The Rev. J. Lester Harnish has presented his resignation as pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church of Detroit, Michigan, and announced his acceptance of the call by the Temple Baptist Church of Los Angeles, Calif. This is one of the most influential Baptist pulpits in the downtown Los Angeles, located on Pershing Square and a few blocks from the Los Angeles Bible Institute. The Los Angeles Baptist Seminary used to hold its classes at the Temple Church. Mr. Harnish will succeed Dr. G. K. Keegan at this church.

● Miss Esther Schultz, Cameroons missionary stationed at Soppo and the former supervisor of our mission schools, left the Cameroons on April 29 for her first furlough to the United States. She sailed from Southampton, England, on June 1st via the French Line, hoping to arrive in New York about June 5th. Her home church is the Beaver Church near Midland, Michigan. Her mother is living at present in Lodi, Calif. Miss Schultz' address during her furlough year will be announced in a forthcoming issue of the "Baptist Herald."

● The Rev. Henry Pfeifer, pastor of the Central Church, Edmonton, Alberta, will sail early in June on the "S. S. Empress of Scotland" from Quebec, Canada, for Germany on a three months' tour of the European continent with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Yeske of the Edmonton church. Mr. Yeske is taking his car along for the European trip. Mr. Pfeifer will speak at Youth for Christ meetings in Germany and hopes to conduct evangelistic services in Austria which are being planned by the Rev. Carl Fuellbrandt of Salzburg, Austria. He hopes to be back in his church at Edmonton by Sept. 1st.

● The Glencullen Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon, was privileged to have to weeks of evangelistic meetings with the Rev. H. Palfenier from April 1st to 13th. The meetings were evaluated as a great help in Christian revival and service. Several persons yielded their lives for a greater Christian witness. Others were known to have been spiritually blessed and renewed because of these meetings. The pastor, Rev. John R. Kimmel, wrote: "We are sure that true and lasting results have been accomplished in the spiritual and material life of the church because of Brother H. Palfenier's effectual ministry here."

● A week of revival services were held at the First Baptist Church of Lorraine, Kansas, during the week preceding Easter. Dr. Henry Burke conducted the services assisted by Mrs. Burke as pianist and with her musical glasses and vibraharp. The inspiring singing of Howard Correll of Toronto,

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HERALD NEWS

YOUTH COMPASS TOPICS

June 10 — TWENTY QUESTIONS, Rev. Herbert Schauer, Elmo, Kans.

June 17—STEWARDSHIP OF TALENTS, Rev. Rudolph Woyke, Salem, Ore.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES FOR JUNE

Eastern Conference Y.P.'s Convention, June 1-3, Temple Church, Buffalo, N. Y. Guest Speaker, Rev. Richard Schilke.

Kansas Scripture Memory Camp, June 4-7, Camp Fellowship, near Wichita, Kans. Guest Speaker, Miss Ruth Bathauer.

Kansas Young People's Assembly, June 7-11, Camp Fellowship, near Wichita, Kans. Guest Speakers, Dr. George Lang. Missionaries Edwin and Verna Michelson.

Iowa Young People's Camp, June 10-16, Iowa Falls, Ia. Speakers, Missionaries Edwin and Verna Michelson, Dr. Ralph E. Powell and Miss Ruth Bathauer.

Southern Conference Young People's Encampment, June 19-24, Latham Springs, Texas. Speaker, Prof. Ralph Powell.

Badlands Young People's Assembly, June 25-29, New Leipzig, North Dakota. Speakers, Prof. R. P. Jeschke, Missionary Esther Schultz.

Minnesota Young People's Assembly, June 26-30, Camp Lebanon, Upsala, Minn. Speakers, Prof. Herbert Hiller, Missionaries Edwin and Verna Michelson.

Watch for the announcement for young people's activities for the months of July and August. The picture is most encouraging for young

people's camps with excellent programs. Every young person ought to make special effort to attend the youth camp or assembly in this area.

CONFERENCE UNION LEADER'S RETREAT

The Conference Union Executive Committee for some time has felt that a Leader's Retreat can be a special blessing to our many leaders. The committee's plans are to have such a retreat this year July 27-29 at Green Lake, Wis. This date and place of meeting have been arranged to fit in with two other conferences, the Pastors' and Laymen's Conferences, to be held at the same place.

The program committee has planned an excellent program. Council representatives plus key leaders are expected to attend the retreat. The work of the Commissioned Youth and our Sunday School will be reviewed. Problems confronting local leaders will be thoroughly discussed. Plans for the youth and Sunday School emphasis for the next General Conference doubtlessly will be talked about. Christian fellowship at its best and many other grand experiences for spiritual edification will be in store for everyone. We call on all of our young people everywhere to pray for these important gatherings throughout the summer.

FOR CAMP LEADERS

If camp programs are to be a success it will require tactful, experienced and consecrated leadership. We shall pray for God's guidance in your life for a very interesting program and for a most successful camp where God's spirit is revealed to all participants.



A group of our young people attending a 1950 summer camp at Elkwater Lake, Alberta, Canada. Many fine camps and assemblies will be beckoning to our young people this summer!



Skyscrapers of New York City which rise majestically like towering trees of a forest above Manhattan Island.

The Thing Appointed

A Christian novel that comes to grips with problems of our modern world, with questions that you and I must face!

By DR. HAROLD LINDSELL, Professor at the Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, California

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SYNOPSIS

Tom Richards and Lynn Tracy met in the offices of the Jackson Casualty Company. Lynn was a sincere, earnest Christian, but Tom sometimes compromised. As a result of Tom's wrong entry for the All State Trucking Company, Lynn Tracy was fired and Tom Richards quit soon thereafter. God brought these two young people together after many difficult weeks. Tom met Lynn's brother at a dinner engagement in Lynn's apartment. Afterwards while on a walk, Tom wanted to tell Lynn how much he loved her and how God had led him to go into full-time Christian service and apply for admission to a seminary. But they parted without having revealed their innermost thoughts to each other. They made a date for a concert on the mall in Central Park for the following week.

CONCLUDING CHAPTER

AT HOME Tom turned to the book of Psalms as he sought for guidance from the Lord. Thumbing over the pages his attention was drawn to the sixth verse of the twenty-fifth Psalm where David cried out, "Lead me in thy truth and teach me." As Tom read on he came to the ninth verse: "The meek will he guide in judgments: And the meek will he teach his way."

"This is for me, O Lord," he prayed, "I thank Thee for this verse. I thank Thee for the love I know I have for Lynn. But Father I want to know Thy will. Give me some token that I may know. I believe that Thou dost guide and I believe that Thou wilt hear and answer this prayer. Amen."

Tom waited anxiously for some token of the Lord's will. Each day was filled with anticipation that the Lord would reveal His will. And each day made Tom feel his love for Lynn more deeply.

A few days later Tom received an official looking envelope from the registrar of the seminary. His heart beat rapidly as he looked at the letter for which he had been waiting. He could not bring himself to believe that it contained a rejection, yet he could not be sure that it did not. He hurriedly tore open the envelope and read the letter.

The fourth paragraph accepted Tom's application with a word of praise for his decision to enter full-time service. He left for work that morning on top of the world.

During the day, his thoughts turned to Lynn. Did Lynn love him? As he thought of it, he cautioned himself by saying, "Love is not enough. Lynn could love me and still it might not be the will of the Lord for us to be together. I want God's will first and foremost."

Tom saw that he had been right when he had not told Lynn that he loved her. There was no point in causing her pain or awakening affection unless their love was within the Lord's plan. He wondered whether

the Lord would ask him to sacrifice his love as an evidence of complete consecration.

"Lynn," Tom thought, "may be called of the Lord to do a different kind of work. That would mean we could not be together even if she does love me."

Tom had meant what he said to Lynn about "all or nothing." He was ready to let go everything—even one he loved so dearly—that he might better serve God.

A thin new moon was shining among the stars on the night Tom took Lynn to the concert.

"Tom, I got a wedding announcement the other day."

"Who from? Someone I know?"

"Uh huh. Someone you know quite well," teased Lynn.

"Who?"

"A friend of yours from the Jackson Casualty Company."

"From Jackson Casualty?"

"Ann Barrett. Do you remember her?"

Well did Tom remember Ann Barrett! But her name was connected with a situation he did not want to remember.

"Is she marrying Jack Dawson?" he asked quietly.

"Yes. Are you sorry, Tom?" Lynn inquired frankly, realizing his interest in former days.

Tom paused to consider the question. "No, I think they are well suited for each other."

They went into the concert hall. Lynn was a true music lover and she seemed to enjoy every moment of the program. Tom slipped his hand over hers. Being near to her was more enjoyable than the finest music the symphony orchestra could have played.

During the intermission the conversation drifted around to plans for the fall.

"There is something that I want to tell you Tom. You may remember that Bob was talking about helping me in the fall?"

"Oh, yes, he mentioned something about your future plans."

Lynn looked at Tom with a smile playing across her lips. "Yes, Tom, I am leaving the city in a few weeks." From her look it was clear that she expected Tom to be taken by surprise and possibly to feel sorry.

Tom did not act surprised. Instead he inquired carefully. "Leaving the city, Lynn? Where are you going?"

"I am going to school to prepare for full-time Christian service."

"But where are you going?"

"Fairview Seminary," replied Lynn believing that Tom had probably never heard of that institution.

"To Fairview Seminary?" gasped Tom in complete amazement. This time Lynn knew that she had caught him off his guard. "No, Lynn, it can't be possible!"

"What do you mean, it can't be possible, Tom?"

"Why Lynn, that is where I'm going."

"Where you are going, Tom?" exclaimed Lynn who was now totally overcome herself. "Why, Tom, that is impossible! I can't believe it."

Both of them were so overwhelmed that all they could do was to look at one another. Tom recovered more rapidly. He remembered his prayer for a token from the Lord. To him this was an expression of the boundless goodness of the Lord. He felt a peace sweeping over him that he had never known before.

The orchestra was playing, but a different kind of music flooded Tom's soul. It was a song of praise and thanksgiving. "Thank You, Father, for this sign," he prayed happily.

Lynn had a puzzled look on her face which Tom did not notice because he was engrossed in his own thoughts. Her interest and attention to the concert lagged. She could not get her mind back on the music.

The second half of the concert was a long one for Tom. He was eager and anxious for the music to end. Indeed, he could not have told anyone what was being played. He didn't know and didn't care. The concert came to an end and Tom turned to Lynn.

"Let's walk by the lake, Lynn, shall we?"

"I'd love to," answered Lynn, unusually quiet.

"Look at that moon, Lynn. What a beautiful night."

"Makes me think of the Scripture, 'The heavens declare the glory of God.'"

"Lynn, do you think it strange that we should be going to the same school for training?" Tom looked closely at Lynn, trying to convey his love by a look.

Lynn puckered her eyebrows as she thought it over. "Yes, it is strange indeed."

"I am sure that it is no accident, Lynn."

"What do you mean, Tom?" Lynn asked hesitantly.

"I mean it isn't chance. God has a purpose in it. After all I didn't know that you were going to Fairview when I applied."

"And I never thought for an instant that you had anything like that in mind either, Tom."

Lynn was suddenly conscious that Tom was looking at her in an unusual way. She looked down at her hands so that Tom could not see her face.

Gently Tom reached for her hand. "Lynn—Lynn dear."

Lynn looked up, "Yes, Tom?"

"Lynn, I love you. I think I must have loved you for a long time!"

"You love me, Tom?" murmured Lynn in almost a whisper.

"Yes, Lynn, I love you more than

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life itself. Do you think you could possibly learn to love me?"

Once more her eyes fell before his intense look. Then she said in a voice so quiet that Tom had to strain to hear, "I've always loved you, Tom."

Lynn closed her eyes as Tom gave her the first kiss of their courtship.

"Oh, Lynn, when I knew that I loved you, I asked the Lord for a sign that I might know His will. Then when I found out tonight that we are both going to Fairview, I knew that He had answered my prayer. Lynn, Lynn dearest, doesn't God lead us in ways that we know not?"

"Yes, Tom, I too asked the Lord for a sign. I asked Him to let you tell me that you loved me before I left for school if our love was part of His will for us. Oh, Tom, dear, isn't the Lord good to us?"

Lynn felt Tom's strength, but she also knew his sweetness of character and his heart-felt earnestness. This man, led of the Lord, was to be her husband. Her heart almost ached with the fulness of her love for him.

"Good to us isn't the word, sweetheart. He's more than that. Yes, the Bible says that He 'performeth the thing appointed.' That is the part so wonderful. Our love, our happiness, our life together is the thing appointed by Him for us!"

"Lynn," Tom asked slowly, "tell me more about how you decided to go to Fairview? How the Lord prepared the way."

"For some time, Tom, felt that the Lord was leading me into full-time service. As much as three years ago I was praying for the Lord to open a door in a definite way. I did not know how He would answer that prayer or what door He would open. I was sure that I did not want to spend the rest of my life working in an office. After all there are thousands of girls who can do the work I do, but there are few who want to do God's work."

"Yes, Lynn, but how did you come to register at Fairview?"

"You're rushing to fast, honey," laughed Lynn. "I can't tell you the end of the story without telling you some things that happened before the end."

"All right, dear. I'll be patient."

"It was about a year and a half ago that I became certain the Lord wanted me to enter full-time service. I went to a conference ground in Pennsylvania for a weekend. One of the speakers there challenged my heart and I gave my life for God's service, whatever that service might be."

"When did you hear about Fairview?"

"My brother was responsible for that. I told him how the Lord had led me and he suggested that school. It seems that many of the students from his school go there for seminary work. I felt that the Lord was leading through circumstances."

"I'm sure that He must have been leading you, dear. It is almost too good to be true. The world would call it a coincidence, but we know that it is God's guidance—the thing He has appointed."

"Now, Tom, you tell me how it happened that you picked out Fairview."

APRIL CONTRIBUTIONS — NORTH AMERICAN BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ALL PURPOSES

Conferences	April 1951	April 1950	April 1949
Atlantic	\$ 3,336.51	\$ 2,657.23	\$ 3,609.86
Eastern	3,356.98	2,985.36	1,253.36
Central	13,522.10	12,679.24	9,593.54
Northwestern	4,642.75	6,568.25	11,889.49
Southwestern	3,370.24	5,047.33	6,698.42
Southern	1,351.44	776.92	1,359.07
Pacific	5,867.88	3,472.18	9,364.93
Northern	3,224.64	4,031.35	1,733.83
Dakota	8,814.95	7,863.10	5,893.92
Totals for All Purposes	\$47,487.49	\$46,080.96	\$51,396.42
Less Non-budget items	5,799.31	12,513.37	1,832.57
For Denominational Budget	\$41,688.18	\$33,567.59	\$49,563.85

BUDGET CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

For the month of April, 1951	\$41,688.18
For the month of April, 1950	33,567.59
For the month of April, 1949	49,563.85

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August 1, 1949 to April 30, 1951	\$673,322.00
August 1, 1948 to April 30, 1950	737,385.50
August 1, 1947 to April 30, 1949	828,646.08

"It's strange, Lynn. I knew nothing about the place. After the Lord made it plain to me that I was to go into full-time service, I received a catalog. I hadn't sent for it and I don't know yet who mailed it to me."

"Why Tom, how do you think it came?"

Tom wrinkled his brow before answering that question. "Honestly, dear, I don't have the faintest idea. That's what makes it so incredible. It might have been my pastor. He knew that Mother always wanted me in the ministry."

Soberly Lynn gave Tom her deliberate judgment. "It doesn't make much difference what channel or instrument was used, so long as God did it. And Tom, there is so much for us to be thankful for."

"Say, darling," exclaimed Tom, "it has just occurred to me that I haven't asked you to marry me."

"You tease!"

"Will you marry me, Miss Tracy?"

"Give me time to think that over if you please, sir," Lynn mocked him gently. And then she added, "When you told me you loved me I took it for granted that you were serious and meant that you wanted to marry me and I'm so happy that I feel that our love is a very precious, wonderful thing. I never knew that being in love, and having someone love you, could make anyone so happy—so almost out of this world!"

"Lynn, let's get married before we go to school? I want to be with you always—beginning right now, if we can!"

"I'd like to get married soon, Tom. There's really nothing in the way except that a girl hesitates a little, you know. Bob will be leaving for South America soon and I'm going to break up the apartment anyway. Oh, the Lord is pretentious! We can surely believe that all things work together for good! Let's go home and tell Bob."

As they walked in the direction of the subway, Lynn stopped to say: "Why, Tom, I never asked you what you're going to do at the seminary?"

"To study for the ministry, of course, dear. The prayers my mother and father offered for me have been answered. I'm only sorry that they aren't here to see the answer!"

"Tom," said Lynn in a gentle whisper, "I think they know. And I'm so glad that I'm going to marry a preacher."

"I guess I could well ask you the same question, Lynn. What are you going to take up?"

"Oh, I was expecting to study to become a church secretary or pastor's assistant."

Tom had a broad smile on his face as he put his arm about Lynn, kissed her and said, "You'll make the best pastor's assistant ever—to me!"

THE END.

PERSONALITY OF DAD

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abundance that I can afford to be imposed upon." During the depression, I know that at least once, and probably more than once, he borrowed money to give to the church when he did not have as much as he felt urged to give in his bank account.

As pleasant as it was to have a good income and the financial security his position afforded, Dad's convictions as to what was right dominated his life. His religion was not something for Sunday, nor something to put aside when it interfered with his business. When conflicting forces met, for him his belief in what was right determined his course of action, and when some of the policies thought necessary to successful big business seemed wrong to him, he resigned his high position in the automobile industry, and accepted a salary about a third of what he had been getting, and a position which meant he would be overseas, away from his family, for the better part of a year.

When that position appeared to him to be without a satisfactory future, he resigned and went into business for himself, which he successfully continued until the time of his death. It was not an easy task getting started, either, for the early years were during the depression. But even then it was his policy to "bring tithes of the first fruits" to the Lord.

"CHRIST TOOK OVER"

When Dad had his first heart attack fifteen years ago, from the medical standpoint he should have died immediately, for prior to getting proper medical attention, he did almost everything that was wrong, such as going upstairs, driving the car a long distance, and the going up more stairs. But, he survived, passing through some critical days. One night he dreamed, or had a vision in which he found himself scantily clad walking down a road piled with snow. In cold exhaustion he collapsed and lay there, when a person whom he identified as the Christ came along and said, "You have been struggling too hard; just let me take over." Dad then prayed for fifteen years more of life.

In the years that followed Dad did let Christ "take over" and wherever he went he was a witness. More and more of his time was devoted to the denomination and local church work and to helping others. He taught Sunday School classes as he had done in past years, but he spent more hours in preparation. He read the Bible more and Christian literature was always at his bedside, phrases which appealed to him being underlined as he read before going to sleep. There were times when we, his sons, felt that he made "too much of religion" but we could never deny that he was

sincere, nor could we claim that he was fanatical to any degree. He lived close to Christ and he couldn't help but show it.

In those fifteen years after his first heart attack, he did not suffer any other disturbance of the heart, which was something rather unusual, and what was still more interesting from a medical standpoint, was that his electro-cardiogram returned to normal showing complete healing of the heart muscle that had become damaged.

His sixty-seventh birthday had been celebrated with him by the nurses and colored help alike who came to admire his dynamic personality. Thanksgiving was a day of "thanks giving," indeed, for he was again with his family and making satisfactory progress. But during his illness, he remarked to Mother that it had been just fifteen years since his first heart attack. He had made plans to retire, and he resigned from several committees on which he served. Two days after Thanksgiving, during the night, he had a sudden attack which in a few minutes took his life. It was just fifteen years and twenty days since he had prayed for those years. He now joined his Lord! But leaving us in the flesh, he has become nearer to me than he ever did during his living years.

MR. DONNER'S BIRTHDAY

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brief words by the Rev. Martin L. Leuschner.

The congratulatory messages in honor of Brother Donner blended pleasant reminiscences with glowing tributes. Among the speakers were Dr. Frank H. Woyke, Rev. J. C. Gunst, Rev. W. J. Luebeck, Rev. E. J. Baumgartner, Rev. Richard Schilke, Miss Martha Leypoldt, Mr. Otto Graalmann, and Rev. Henry Hirsch. Dr. Herman von Berge of Dayton, Ohio, who had met Brother Donner for the first time in 1895 and had been closely identified with him as his pastor, friend and board member, brought the principal address.

Brother Donner's felicitous reply humbly acknowledged God's abundant grace in his life and sincerely thanked all for the many birthday remembrances. He reviewed some of his experiences on the Palestine trip of last year. He climaxed his message with the conviction that what we need in our denomination is a great revival power.

How remarkable it is that this light of Brother Donner's life that has been burning for these ninety years is now shining more brightly and farther than ever before! It is this spiritual vigor and vision that keep our good friend and God's servant eternally young.



FROM THE FIELD

SPECIAL REPORT

Rev. R. Neuman, Missionary to the Indians, Reviews His Central Conference Promotional Trip

It was an honor and a great privilege for me to visit our Central Conference Churches of the United States. It was also a wonderful opportunity to herald forth with great joy the blessings of God upon the mission field, the workers and the great enterprise among the Indians of Alberta, Canada.

Churches and Sunday Schools everywhere pledged themselves to greater support with prayer and finances that God's Kingdom might be furthered more speedily in these last days. The welcomes were warm everywhere, from groups and individuals alike. I was very much impressed and encouraged by the love and the devotedness of the pastors to the cause of the Lord on their fields of service. Most of them are carrying a tremendous load and are very conscious of the fact that they are "set for the defense of the Gospel."

Other highlights were my pleasant visit to our denominational headquarters at Forest Park, Ill., and to our Roger Williams Press in Cleveland, Ohio. I shall not so soon forget my first sitting at the conference table with our beloved and able leaders. I have many times thanked God for our consecrated leaders and secretaries at Forest Park and for the great and important work they are doing. Men and machines in our Publication Office are very busy and I believe too often just taken for granted. The workers and work need our earnest prayers and support.

I thank God a million times and more for this privilege and opportunity. He granted protection and journeying mercies. The trip was rich and blessed. I also thank Ardis Woodrich and her assistants for setting up the itinerary, and all others for making this trip possible and a success.

Eastern Conference

Centenary Jubilee Program at the Andrews Street Church, Rochester, N. Y., June 21-24

June 21—Homecoming and Community Night. Greetings from visitors, telegrams, letters. Addresses: "What This Church Has Meant to Me,"

Dr. Albert Kaiser. "The Influence of This Church in Its Wider Outreach," Prof. A. Bretschneider.

June 22—Historical Night. Dramatization: "The Church Speaks." Address: Mrs. Flora McGlashen.

June 23—Banquet. Toastmaster, Rev. Paul Wengel. Address: Rev. Arthur Kannwischer, "The Task of the Church in a Day Like This."

June 24—9:15 A.M. Sunday School. Talks by Visitors.

11:00 A.M. Worship. Sermon by Dr. Frank H. Woyke.

7:30 P.M. Sacred Concert. Address by Rev. A. E. Kannwischer. "Great Hymns of the Church."

Rev. Roy Seibel, Visitation Evangelist, at the Union Church of Arnold, Pa.

"There shall be showers of blessings." This was true in more than one sense during the week of special services held by the Union Baptist Church of Arnold, Pa. It rained every day and our visitor from Texas, the Rev. Roy Seibel, wondered if we had a "Sun" in Arnold.

We cannot boast of an attendance record, but we did have a season rich in spiritual blessings. As an evangelist, our speaker added a welcome and unique touch to his ministry with his presentation of chemical and object talks. Visitation also played an important part in the campaign.

The sum total of results cannot be tabulated at present. On the other hand, the visible efforts were realized on Sunday, April 29th, when nine candidates followed their Lord in baptism and ten persons received the hand of fellowship into the membership of the church. For these visible manifestations of grace, we give God the praise! Arnold will not soon forget the visit of Brother Seibel of Waco, Texas.

William D. Ross, Pastor.

Pacific Conference

Visitation Evangelistic Program at the Grace Baptist Church, Kelowna, British Columbia

The days of April 15 to 20 were wonderful days for the Grace Baptist Church of Kelowna, British Columbia, when the Rev. R. Milbrandt, director of the Baptist Haven of Rest for the Aged, Medicine Hat, Alberta, conducted eight services on evangelism and winning souls for Christ. In company with the local pastor, the Rev. A. Kujath, the time was mostly

filled with visitation among the members and adherents of the church.

Many musical items were rendered by the choir and members of the church and many helpful testimonies were given by the young people and members of the church during these interesting services. Mr. Milbrandt's ministry and sermons were deeply appreciated, the latter being not only evangelical in character but inspirational and richly instructive covering all phases of church life. The attendance was most gratifying. The meetings were conducted in both languages, English and German.

The Lord's nearness was felt throughout all the services. Four persons stepped out in open acceptance to take Christ as their Savior during the meetings.

A. Kujath, Pastor.

Ordination of the Rev. Howard Roth, Cameroons Missionary, at Portland's Immanuel Church

Upon invitation of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Portland, Ore., 23 representatives of the North American Baptist Churches of Oregon and of the Western Baptist Theological Seminary met on April 17 to examine Mr. Howard Roth for ordination to the Gospel ministry. After the organization of the council and the usual preliminaries, Brother Roth presented an excellent statement on his Christian experience, his call to the ministry, including his call to the Cameroons Mission field and his doctrinal views. The members of the council asked a few practical questions, and then by unanimous vote declared themselves satisfied with the candidate's statements and recommended to the Immanuel Church to proceed with the ordination.

On the evening of the same day, members of Immanuel Church and friends met for the ordination service. The service was an exceptionally impressive one. The Rev. Frank Friesen, chairman of the council, was in charge. The other ministers present assisted in the various parts of the service. The church choir served with two very fine numbers. Then the Rev. Otto Roth, pastor of the church and father of the candidate, brought a thoughtful, practical, touching message based on 2 Timothy 2. Dr. Arthur M. Collins, professor at Western Baptist Seminary, led in the ordination prayer while the other ministers present took part in the laying on of hands.

After the charge to the church, to the candidate, and his welcome into the ministry, representatives from the various church organizations in which Howard Roth has been especially active, came forward to congratulate him and to present him with tokens of appreciation. The church as a whole also presented him with a gift. The Rev. Howard Roth was then called upon to dismiss the service with prayer and the benediction. We join our hearts in prayer for him and his wife, Betty, as they make final preparation to begin their work on our mission fields in the Cameroons. May God bless them!

E. Wolff, Clerk.

Joys and Blessings at the Salt Creek Baptist Church Near Dallas, Oregon

The life of a church is full of joys as well as sorrows. We would not minimize the more difficult tasks, but it is naturally the more enjoyable experiences that we would write about. The first quarter of 1951 seems to have been filled with just such experiences for us at the Salt Creek Baptist Church of Dallas, Ore. Beginning in the last week in January we had our evangelistic meetings with the Rev. John Wobig of Portland, Ore., as evangelist. In February we had the privilege of having the Rev. J. C. Gunst at our church, and then, together with the church at Salem, of having him and the Rev. M. L. Leuschner for two evenings of helpful instruction and discussion in young people's and Sunday School work.

March brought a special event for every Sunday with Easter being the most outstanding. On that evening our very fine choir, under the direction of Dick Nallinger, presented a program of Easter music. We were also privileged to baptize eleven persons, including a family of four and another of three.

The church has been mindful of the needs of the pastor and his family. At the beginning of the year they raised his salary by \$600. Only recently a 15-foot deep-freeze was installed in the parsonage. This thoughtfulness and kindness are greatly appreciated.

Recently the church made extensive preparations for the return of the Schneiders from the Cameroons. Their arrival home was a big event for us as a church. It begins to look like a full summer! May it also be a blessed one!

E. Wolff, Pastor.

Evangelistic Services, C.B.Y. Activities and Special Programs at Missoula, Montana

The Rev. G. P. Schroeder of Lodi, Calif., who is supplying the pulpit of the Bethel Baptist Church of Missoula, Mont., began his ministry on March 11th.

Our church was the host church to Union Good Friday services, with five churches of the city's Evangelistic Association participating. The C.B.Y. participated in the Union Easter Sunrise Service held on Waterworks Hill, followed by breakfast served in the church basement. Approximately 90 persons attended. The Easter offering amounted to \$143.00.

Easter Sunday, always a wonderful and blessed day in the church, was even more so this year in Missoula, for it marked the beginning of a series of evangelistic meetings conducted by the Rev. A. S. Felberg, our denominational evangelist. God used Brother Felberg in a special way during these days from March 25 to April 5. There were a number of conversions, rededications, and the spirit of the Lord was truly in our midst. We planned joyously for a baptismal service which was held on

May 6th. The missionary offering received during these days was \$86.52.

The C.B.Y. has reorganized its Bible Studies Group with the Rev. G. P. Schroeder teaching. The attendance averages between 60 and 70 persons. We are receiving much enlightenment from these studies and can report that two persons were won for Christ in these meetings thus far.

The C.B.Y. officers for 1951 are as follows: Irwin Wornath, president; Ralph Kramer, vice-president; Judy Hess, secretary; Mrs. Irwin Wornath, treasurer; Violet Edinger, pianist; Otto Wornath, Ben Oelke and Emil Hochhalter, advisers.

Mrs. Ed Junkert, Reporter.

Southern Conference

Impressive Ordination Service for the Rev. Harold W. Gieseke of Dallas, Texas

At the call of the Carroll Avenue Baptist Church of Dallas, Texas, pastors and laymen from eight of our Southern Conference churches met in council on March 1st to hear the testimony of the church's pastor, Mr. Harold W. Gieseke, and to consider the advisability of setting him apart for the gospel ministry. The Rev. Arthur Schulz of Crawford was elected moderator, and the Rev. Kenneth E. Nelson, clerk, of the council. Mr. Gieseke related his conversion experience and call to the ministry. He also read a clear and complete statement of his doctrinal views. After two hours of inspiring testimony and discussion, the council unanimously recommended Mr. Gieseke for ordination.

The service of ordination was held on Monday evening, March 12. Hosts of former members and friends and visitors from most of our Texas churches assembled for the bountiful dinner served by the ladies of the church at 6 o'clock and the service at 7:30 P.M. After the organ prelude and the hymn, "How Firm a Foundation," the Rev. W. Helwig, former pastor of the church, read Mr. Gieseke's favorite Scripture passage, 2 Cor. 5. The Rev. Kenneth E. Nelson, Southern Conference moderator, led in prayer. The challenging charge to the church was given by the Rev. William H. Jeschke of Sumner, Iowa, who had been the candidate's "Chicago pastor" seminary days. The Rev. Roy W. Seibel, representing Texas pastors, gave the charge to the candidate, using Paul's great words to the Ephesian elders in Acts 20.

As many pastors and the church's four deacons gathered on the platform for the laying on of hands, the Rev. Theo. Frey of Napoleon, N. Dak. Brother Frey was the candidate's boyhood pastor and baptized him at the age of 13 in the First Baptist Church of Trenton, Ill. With Mrs. Frey, he made the long trip from North Dakota to be present at this memorable occasion. The warm and heart-touching welcome to the ministry was ex-

tended by the Rev. D. Buchmueller of Newton, Kans. Brother Buchmueller, a life-long friend of the candidate, retired on April 1 after more than 60 years as an ordained minister of the gospel.

Soul-stirring music added to the beauty of the service. Mr. Edmund F. Boettcher, former member of the church, sang "Spirit of God, Descend upon my Heart," by Neidlinger. The Carroll Avenue choir sang "Jesus Will Walk With Me," and Mrs. Doris Coover and Mr. O. E. Balka played Koschat's "The Lord is My Shepherd" as a violin duet.

Climaxing the evening service was the ordination sermon by Dr. Chas. W. Koller, president of Northern Baptist Theological Seminary of Chicago, Ill., where Mr. Gieseke received his B.D. degree in May, 1950. For Dr. and Mrs. Koller, the service was a joyous "homecoming." Carroll Ave. was Mrs. Koller's home church, and it was here that they were married. Drawing on his rich experience as pastor and educator, President Koller preached with Holy Spirit power on the thrilling text (Isaiah 12:3), "Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation." The service closed with the congregation singing, "Lord, I Hear of Showers of Blessing," and the benediction by the Rev. Harold W. Gieseke.

Surely, "showers of blessing" are already upon the Carroll Avenue Church of Dallas. May God continue to bless the efforts of the congregation and its newly-ordained pastor!

Kenneth E. Nelson, Clerk.

Central Conference

Baptismal Service and New Missionary Project at Cleveland's Erin Avenue Baptist Church

On Easter Sunday, the Rev. Edwin Miller, pastor of the Erin Avenue Baptist Church of Cleveland, Ohio, had the privilege of baptizing four young people upon confession of their faith in the Lord Jesus. The following Sunday they were welcomed into the church's fellowship. The hand of fellowship was also extended to four others who were received by transfer of letter.

Our church is anticipating a new missionary project with the increasing influx of German-speaking immigrants. Many churches of our city have felt the need of a church service in the German language. Our church has responded to this need and is planning to start German services in the near future. The Rev. W. Luebeck has kindly consented to minister in this way. We feel it a great missionary endeavor for the German-speaking people of our community.

Through the faithful services of our pastor, the Rev. Edwin Miller, and church missionary, Miss Florence Miller, our church is experiencing progress for our Lord and Savior. Our prayer is that we might do greater and mightier things for him.

Bernice Guenther, Reporter.

Foster Avenue Church, Chicago, Ill., Honors Its Pastor and Rejoices over God's Blessings

On April 25th a home-coming celebration was held by the Foster Ave. Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill., for our beloved pastor, the Rev. Robert Schreiber, who had been away for several weeks, serving as evangelist in New York and Pennsylvania. Although we had excellent pulpit supply during his absence: Rev. R. Schilke, Missionary Ruby Salzman, Dr. Knechtel, Carl P. Orth and Fred Sonnenberg, we are glad for our pastor's return, just as a family rejoices over the home-coming of its father. As it was expressed by Mrs. Hildgard Schieber, president of our Ladies' Missionary Society, although our pastor is young, he is the father of this church family, supplying us with spiritual food, his messages ever challenging us to a more consecrated and fruitful life.

This occasion was also a belated birthday celebration for Mr. and Mrs. Schreiber. Good wishes for them were expressed by many of our members, as well as assurance of further cooperation and support in the work of the Lord. A gift of money was presented as a more tangible token of our appreciation for them.

Sunday, April 29th, our cup of joy was filled to overflowing when our pastor reported that two of our own members, Jay and Esther Hirth, had been appointed by our General Missionary Committee, to serve as missionaries in the new field which is to be opened in Japan. On this day we also bade farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holzimmer, who have been appointed as missionaries to the Cameroons. It has been our privilege to have them in our midst during the years of their preparation for the mission field. We have come to love them and their fine children and wish them God's blessing upon their way. As a token of our affection Mrs. Holzimmer was presented with a corsage of roses by her Sunday School class and a gift of money was given them by the Sunday School.

As a church we are still filled with gratitude to God for our new house of worship. The first Christmas in this new home was a wonderful experience. Shortly after that, our services were enriched by the music of an organ, the dedication of which took place in February. The first Easter in this church will long be remembered: golden sunlight streaming through the windows, voices raised in songs of adoration, music which thrilled the heart, little children telling about the Risen Savior, inspiring messages by our pastor and the guest speaker and evangelist, Art Brown and Douglas Stevens, all combined to make it a day of richest spiritual blessings.

We are looking forward with keen anticipation to the time of the Central Conference from June 21 to 24. Since it will be held at our church, we shall have the happy privilege of seeing many of our sisters and brothers in Christ.

Louise Zoch, Church Clerk.



Sixty-seven new members received by the Rev. William Hoover (front row, sixth from left) on Sunday, April 8, into the fellowship of the Clay Street Baptist Church, Benton Harbor, Mich.

Sixty-seven New Members Received by Rev. Wm. Hoover in Benton Harbor, Mich.

A series of messages in the Clay Street Baptist Church of Benton Harbor, Mich., by our beloved pastor, the Rev. William Hoover, on the general theme, "World Events as I See Them in the Light of Prophecy," over a period of three months on Sunday nights created such widespread interest and were so signally blessed of God, that it resulted in the greatest revival in the church's history. With the Easter season, these messages were concluded, but the results of the revival are still continuing in the hearts of Christians as well as a powerful working of the Holy Spirit for the salvation of the unsaved.

Since my last report in the "Baptist Herald," we have had two baptismal services, the first on Easter Sunday and the second, one week later. A total of fifty-five candidates gave confession of their faith through the ordinance of baptism. The oldest among the candidates was 69 years and the youngest five years of age. There were 44 adults.

On Sunday, April 8th, we had reception of members followed by a blessed communion service. Sixty-seven new members were received into the fellowship of our church, thus making it the largest group ever received at one time in the history of the church. This was a most impressive service and was further enriched by the testimonies of visitors from Holland, Mich., who had been attending our services for months and were saved in the meetings. Among those

ATTENTION, REPORTERS!

Please keep your reports brief. Send them promptly to the editor. Several important reports will have to wait until the next issue due to lack of space in this number.

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testifying was the chief of police and his family and a doctor and his family, thanking God for having been saved in this revival.

On Wednesday evening, April 11, a sponsorship service was conducted by our pastor and church worker, whereby older church members were given the responsibility of taking on a new member in order that they might encourage them in their Christian walk. The new members were introduced to their sponsors and the sponsors received written instructions as to their responsibilities to the incoming members. The sponsors will strive with God's help to encourage new members in Christian living and service by church attendance and social fellowship activities.

Although we have enjoyed an average attendance of 150 at our prayer meetings, the attendance has now grown to an average of 225. The spirit of prayer is such that the voluntary session of prayer on their knees lasts from 30 to 40 minutes. This results in a spiritual atmosphere that causes unsaved souls to cry for mercy and salvation in our prayer services. On four consecutive Wednesday evening prayer services, persons have been saved during or after the prayer session.

Due to the consistent winning of souls in all our services, a widespread interest has been created in our Twin Cities, resulting in a taxing of the seating capacity of our two auditoriums and Sunday School facilities. We are facing the stark realities of the need of physical changes in order to accommodate properly our growing church. With war-time restrictions and shortages, this is indeed a problem. As a church we prayerfully covet God's continued blessings to rest upon us that we might ever be found humble and deserving in God's sight. We also prayerfully solicit similar blessings for our sister churches.

J. D. Johnson, Reporter.

Forty Decisions for Christ During Evangelistic Services at Detroit's Ebenezer Baptist Church

The Ebenezer Baptist Church in Detroit, Mich., under the pastorate of Rev. E. Arthur McAsh, recently concluded an eight day evangelistic campaign. The guest speaker was the Rev. Douglas Roe, director of Montrose Bible Conference, and formerly the president of Philadelphia School of the Bible. Guest soloist and song leader was George Edstrom who traveled with Mr. Roe and has been associated in great rallies held by Billy Graham. The organist was John McMahon.

Mr. Roe brought stirring evangelistic messages and also made use of "The Gospel Through Magic." At every service beginning with Sunday School on the first Sunday and running through the Sunday evening service of the following Sunday there was response to the invitation for decisions. Over forty public decisions were made. This is one of the most fruitful evangelistic campaigns ever held in our church.

It is appropriate that the hearts of our people and those of the unsaved were stirred by the messages given in our evangelistic campaign, for we dedicated our new sanctuary on April 29th.

We rejoice over the outpouring of the Spirit of God upon the Christians and the awakening and conversion of the unsaved during the week of special services. There are a goodly number of candidates awaiting the waters of baptism. Ebenezer Baptist Church looks forward to blessed services as its people walk in obedience to the Word of God and in the power of his Spirit."

E. Arthur McAsh, Pastor.

Annual Missionary Conference at the Burns Avenue Church of Detroit, Michigan

The 9th annual Missionary Conference of the Burns Ave. Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., had its unofficial beginning on March 4th when Rev. Fred Kendall, a Hebrew Christian missionary, spoke to our congregation in the morning service.

The conference began officially on March 7th. Our guest speakers for the five days were: Rev. Brinley Evans, Sudan Interior Mission; Rev. A. R. Fromman, Conservative Baptist Mission; Rev. and Mrs. G. Henderson, North American Baptists in the Cameroons; Rev. and Mrs. H. Randall, American Baptist Mission; Rev. J. J. Stevenson, Unevangelized Fields Mission; Rev. Wm. Wegner, Highland Evangel Mission; and Miss Helen Zernov, Slavic Gospel Association. We were all very sorry to hear that Miss Ruby Salzman, who was to have been one of our missionary guests, could not be with us because of the death of her mother. Mr. Evans who is a gifted violinist favored us with solos several times during the conference.

Saturday was a day of special events, the first of which was a breakfast followed by a missionary sym-

posium. This was greatly enjoyed by all who were able to attend and will become a regular feature of the conference in the future. At night we held our regular missionary banquet which was followed by the evening service at which Dr. Savage of Pontiac, Mich., was the guest speaker.

On Sunday morning each department of the Sunday School had a missionary speaker. The C.B.Y. featured missionary pictures at its regular Sunday night meeting, and the closing message of the conference was brought by Rev. J. J. Stevenson.

Linda Paul, Reporter.

Evangelistic Meetings and Baptism of Nine Converts at Detroit's Connor Baptist Church

The Connor Baptist Church of Detroit, Mich., was privileged to hold a week of special meetings from March 5 to 11. The Rev. Herman H. Mauch, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Bluefield, W. Va., was the evangelist. His messages were heard by many. The nearness of the Lord was felt by all in attendance.

Many believe that the day of miracles has passed, but we have proof that God can still do wonders. Although Mr. Mauch is unable to speak German, eight people who have recently emigrated from Germany and are unable to understand much English accepted Christ as their personal Savior! We can truly give praise to our Lord for his wonderful works. Mr. Mauch also directed several messages to Christians impressing upon us the need for complete consecration and the importance of tithing.

The blessings of Easter Sunday began at the sunrise service held especially for young people of the Connor Church. The breakfast of griddle cakes, bacon, coffee and doughnuts proved especially delicious to the women since several men of the Homebuilders Class had taken over the duties of preparing the meal and also the dish-washing. A program of special numbers and a brief talk by our pastor, the Rev. Otto Patzia, followed.

The evening service was again one of special blessing to all. Easter selections were rendered by the various choirs as well as by individuals. After the evening sermon, nine converts were baptized by the pastor on their confession of their new found faith in Christ. It was a Sunday long to be remembered at Connor Church!

Lucille Friesen, Reporter.

God's Blessings of Springtime at the Beaver Baptist Church of Michigan

With the commencement of the Lenten season comes a time when Christians "examine their faith" and "count their blessings." As we did this, we were again fully aware of the Lord's guidance in the affairs of the Beaver Baptist Church near Midland, Mich. Our pastor, Rev. Fred Mashner, conducted a series of classes for those seeking spiritual instructions and as result of these efforts four candidates followed the Lord's command in baptism on Easter Sunday. To

climax our joy, four students from the Baptist Missionary Training School were our guests that day, two of them, Luanna Majeske and Ruth McAninch, delivering appropriate baptismal messages. The other two, Ursula Koester and Minnie Kuhn, were actively engaged in teaching Sunday School classes.

Our Ladies' Missionary Society labors diligently and this spring it was instrumental in installing lovely cupboards in our church kitchen. The trustees saw to it that an electric water heater was installed in the parsonage.

On Sunday night, April 8th, Missionary Reinhold Neuman spoke to us of the work among the Indians in Alberta, Canada, how the Lord has marvelously answered many a prayer for that field. Our hearts were moved by his humility and consecration to this great task and we promise a greater financial assistance to this work. Part of our task is the support of the project adopted by the C.B.Y. and S.S. Union of our conference, the goal of \$2500 towards this field by June 1st.

The young people never weary at Beaver Church. Many Sunday nights the services are conducted entirely by them. With the help of Donald Witt, violinist, of Detroit, Mich., a musical program was featured on April 22. Other numbers were from the local group. Our new hymnals, "The Gospel Hymnal," which were dedicated on Palm Sunday, added greatly to this evening of inspiration and "joyful noise unto the Lord."

Mrs. Paul Rinas, Reporter.

Northern Conference

New Hammond Organ Purchased by the Grace Baptist Church, Medicine Hat, Alberta

The Grace Baptist Church of Medicine Hat, Alberta, has received many blessings during the past few months which we want to share with the denomination. On February 25, the Woman's Missionary Society presented its annual program. The Rev. A. Kraemer, a former pastor, and Mrs. Kraemer, former president of the society, were guests for the day. Mrs. R. Rapske, the president, presented corsages to Mrs. Raessler, a charter member of the society, and to Mrs. Odenbach for faithful service and also honored Mrs. Kraemer in a like presentation.

Another goal has been reached by the purchase of a Hammond electric organ. On March 26 the dedication service took place. Part of the service, from 7:30 to 8:00 P.M., was broadcast over station CHAT, the local radio station. The program consisted of a number of organ renditions by Mrs. Pedersen, some choir selections and a number of special numbers. The Rev. R. Milbrandt offered the dedicatory prayer and our pastor, the Rev. R. Rapske, brought the message. Under the capable guidance of Mr. and Mrs. Rapske we look forward to greater service for our Lord.

Caroline Herrmann, Reporter.

Ordination of the Rev. Reinhard Neuman, Indian Missionary, at Camrose, Alberta

On Friday afternoon, April 20, delegates and pastors from six neighboring churches of Alberta, Canada, met at the Bethany Baptist Church of Camrose, Alberta, for the examination for ordination to the Gospel ministry of Mr. Reinhard Neuman, missionary to the Indians on the Montana Reserve near Ponoka, Alberta. The Rev. C. H. Seecamp was elected moderator of the ordination council, with the Rev. E. A. Hoffmann as clerk.

After being introduced to the council, the candidate clearly and with conviction presented his conversion, call to the ministry and doctrinal beliefs. It was the two-fold recommendation of the council that the church proceed with the ordination service and that the candidate pursue theological studies to better qualify him for an even broader service in the Gospel ministry within our North American Baptist Conference.

Following a delicious supper, which was served by the ladies of the Bethany Church, many friends and visitors met in the church sanctuary for an impressive ordination service, which was led by the local pastor, the Rev. Joseph Sonnenberg.

Mr. Raymond Harsch, student at the Christian Training Institute, led us in a lively song service, whereupon Mr. A. Lamprecht, 1950 graduate of the North American Baptist Seminary, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., read the Scripture portion and led in prayer. The ordination sermon, based on 1 Cor. 2:2, was given by the Rev. C. H. Seecamp. The Rev. L. Burrit from the Camrose Baptist Church led in the ordination prayer. The candidate was then welcomed into the ranks of the ministers by the Rev. E. A. Hoffmann. The charge was given by the Rev. H. Schumacher. Special music was supplied by the Stroschein sisters and Mr. R. Neske. The evening came to a close with prayer and benediction by the Rev. R. Neuman.

E. A. Hoffmann, Clerk.

Southwestern Conference

Father and Son Banquet at the First Baptist Church, Ellinwood, Kansas

The Father and Son banquet of the First Baptist Church, the "Church by the Side of the Road," Ellinwood, Kans., with about 90 men in attendance took place on Thursday, April 19. This event has proven to be an inspiration and an opportunity toward strengthening the unified and supreme task of the church.

An occasion like this brings to light the latent talents of the men. Mr. Herman Fischer did a good job in giving "the toast" to the sons. He is the father of three fine sons, one of whom, the Rev. Harold Fischer, sat by his side. Russell Scheufler, bank teller, spoke on behalf of the sons and did an equally good job. Jack DeWerff, a gifted reader, dramatized "the church

ALBERTA ASSOCIATION from June 14 to 17 at the Bridgeland Baptist Church, Calgary, Alberta.

Theme: "The Good News" (Romans 10:15b).

Evening Speakers:
Thursday (June 14)—Rev. Joe Sonnenberg.
Friday (June 15)—Rev. H. Zepik and Rev. H. Schumacher.
Saturday (June 16)—Prof. R. P. Jeschke.
Sunday Speakers—Rev. Henry Pfeifer and Prof. R. P. Jeschke.

The Bridgeland Baptist Church of Calgary cordially invites all the churches of the Alberta Association to attend these annual sessions. Night lodging and breakfast will be provided for. Dinner and supper will be served at restaurants. Kindly send your registrations to Mr. Gus Holwegner, 446—19th Ave., N.E., Calgary, Alta.

of long ago." For music we had our Men's Quartet and a trio from Sterling, Kans. The peppy song service was led by our choir director, Emil Scheufler.

Harold DeWerff, president of the Homebuilders Class, discharged his duties as toastmaster in an excellent manner. The address was given by Harold (Barney) Hansen, student pastor of Sterling College. Our hearts were stirred and moved by the testimony of this young man, who only four years ago was wonderfully saved and who is now preparing for the ministry.

Not only were we served a delicious meal prepared by our ladies but we were feasted in a spiritual way. Such a gathering always tends to promote a spirit of fellowship and brotherhood.

The military situation in our country has also affected our church. Already nine of our young men are in service and some across the seas. The present conditions lead us to pray, "Even so, Lord Jesus, come."

Theo W. Dons, Pastor.

Reception for the Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Neubert at Beatrice, Nebraska

It was truly a happy occasion when the West Side Baptist Church of Beatrice, Neb., was able to welcome the Rev. George W. Neubert and family into its midst. It is our hope and prayer that the work here in Beatrice might prosper greatly under the already evidenced consecrated leadership of our pastor. A reception was held in their honor on Sunday afternoon, April 1st.

Leader for the service was Mr. Harvey Ahl. Welcomes were given Mr. and Mrs. Neubert and family by the various officers and organizations of the church, namely: Mr. Harry

Coates in behalf of the pulpit committee; Mr. Alfred Kipf for the deacons; Mr. Fred Paul for the trustees; Mrs. C. M. Ellison as church clerk; Mr. Herbert Kipf for the Sunday School; Mrs. Fred Paul for the Woman's Missionary Society; Royena Estes for the C.B.Y.; Mrs. Ruth Ahl in behalf of the Junior Guild; and La Donna Vandegrift for the Senior Guild.

We were happy to have with us two special guests for the reception: Mrs. J. J. Reimer, a former missionary and a friend of the Neuberts, who is now working for the "Back to the Bible Broadcast." Another special guest for the afternoon was Rev. Earnest Lott, also from the "Back to the Bible Broadcast," who gave a short address and welcome to the Neuberts. The church is very grateful that we were privileged to have Mr. Lott with us for this occasion since he was very faithful in helping us out during the time we were without a pastor.

Musical numbers for the afternoon were furnished by Mr. Lott, the church choir, and the C.B.Y. Choir. As a gift from the members of the church a beautiful floor lamp was presented to the Neuberts, after which refreshments were served by the ladies.

Norma Larimore, Reporter.

Dakota Conference

Evangelistic Services and Seminary Quartet Programs at Corona, South Dakota

A stirring revival took place at the Baptist Church of Corona, S. Dak., from April 8 to 22 with the Rev. A. Felberg as evangelist. The meetings were well attended, not only by the church members but also by Christian friends of other denominations. Several persons were saved and many Christians pledged to live more consecrated lives in church and community. May the Lord continue to use Dr. Felberg as his special messenger in the field of evangelism.

After repeated efforts to secure the friendly services of the "King's Stewards" quartet of Sioux Falls, we were happy to have the quartet with us for the April "Youth For Christ" meeting. Since Dr. Felberg was still with us, he was willing to serve in the capacity of special speaker for the occasion. The speaker orated powerfully; the men of the quartet sang superbly; and the player, Miss Lorraine De Boer, played inspirationally. On the following Sunday, April 22nd, we again had the privilege to see the "King's Stewards" in action. The entire Sunday School period was at the disposal of the quartet and song, message and object lesson fused together in a rare spiritual treat.

Our women recently sent seven packages of clothing to our Indian mission field in Alberta, Canada. The Sunday School again plans a Vacation Bible School for the children. Our field is unique, but we have a Lord who is adequate to meet all conditions and situations of men. The Lord is with his people!

E. O. Gutsche, Pastor.

Anniversary Program of the Woman's Missionary Society of Carrington, North Dakota

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Calvary Baptist Church of Carrington, N. Dak., held its annual program on Sunday evening, March 25, with a large congregation in attendance. Our president, Mrs. Arnold Leppke, presided and extended a very cordial welcome to all.

The program consisted of two missionary playlets, various musical numbers and the traditional song by the entire society. The secretary read the report of the year in which she stressed the White Cross work that had been done. This was followed by the treasurer's report. The offering of the evening which amounted to \$50.86 was designated for the Bansa Baptist Hospital of the Cameroons for which our society had previously sent \$75.00. Refreshments were served in the church basement following the program.

Mrs. Freddie Pepple, Reporter.

"Bender Fellowship" of Our Seminary Presents Missionary Play and Adopts Society's Emblem

The Missionary Society of the North American Baptist Seminary at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., known as the

Bender Fellowship, met on April 17 for its last meeting of this school year. We have gained nine new members to our Fellowship during the year which now makes a total membership of 29. On April 26 we had charge of the evening meeting at the Mission downtown in Sioux Falls.

To make our year complete, we gave a missionary play, "Empty Hands" by Helen M. Clark, at the Northside Baptist Church in Sioux Falls and at our churches in Emery and Madison, S. Dak. Our people graciously responded in giving us a total offering of \$175. After the initial play expenses have been taken care of, the proceeds will be used to purchase mission books to build up the missionary section of our Seminary library. We have adopted a theme song entitled, "Here Am I, Send Me." The words and music were written by Dr. Herman Von Berge.

Bertha Janzen has designed an emblem for our society which shows a sketch of our Bender Memorial Chapel tour with an open Bible and the words, "Go Ye." We are securing stationery with this crest on it and T-shirts for this school year. This has been a wonderful year of activity and fellowship together, and we trust God for even greater blessings next year in his service.

Irma Meth, Secretary.

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Ontario, also added much to the spirit of the services. The "Cross Service" on Friday evening told in song, Scripture and the spoken word of the betrayal and crucifixion of the Lord. A sunrise service on Sunday morning and a full day of music and messages by Dr. Burke concluded a very stirring week of spiritual revival for many and of decision for many others.

● On a recent Sunday the Rev. C. Fred Lehr presented his resignation to the Aplington Baptist Church of Aplington, Iowa, effective Oct. 15, 1951. The church in accepting his resignation with regrets also voted him an \$800 increase in salary for the remaining months of his pastorate in Aplington. During the 16 year ministry of Brother Lehr in the Aplington church (since March 1, 1935) 98 persons have been baptized by him and the missionary giving of the church rose to an all time high of \$13,104 during the 1947 conference year. Many improvements have also been made on the church building. Mr. Lehr has recovered from his serious illness of last year and has now assumed the duties of the local pastorate. He is awaiting God's leading for the future.

● Miss Hilda Tobert, a missionary-nurse in the Cameroons of Africa from 1946 to the time of her furlough in 1950, recently presented her resignation to the General Missionary Committee on the advice of her physician. It was accepted by the committee with sincere regrets. Miss Tobert wrote: "I have

accepted this as God's way of saying to me that my services in the Cameroons are over, and even though it was a deep disappointment, I want to accept his 'Stay home' just like I did his 'Go!' I know that this is his will, and I shall bring my devotion to the Cameroons home and be useful in his service here. I do not know why, but I want to trust him." Miss Tobert is continuing her graduate studies as a nurse at the Baylor University Hospital in Dallas, Texas.

● The Seventh Street Baptist Church of LaCrosse, Wis., is enjoying the use of a Wurlitzer organ since April 22, which was indefinitely loaned to the church by Miss Rose Bozart, a friend. On May 9 the Eppley Sisters, five students of the Dunmire School of Music at Harrisburg, Pa., presented a program of vocal and instrumental selections with six different instruments. On Saturday evening, May 12, the church was host to a banquet for 165 high school students and other young people sponsored by the Interstate Fundamental Ministers' Fellowship. The theme was "Life's Pilot." The Mother and Daughter banquet was held on May 24 with Mrs. J. Alexander, the wife of the Protestant chaplain at nearby Camp McCoy, as the guest speaker. On Sunday, April 29, the Rev. M. L. Leuschner was the guest speaker at the church. In the evening the new church name plaque was dedicated with the pastor, the Rev. Fred Lemmert, in charge.

Anniversary Program of Woman's Missionary Society, Calvary Baptist Church, Billings, Mont.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Calvary Baptist Church, Billings, Mont., held its annual program on March 25 under the leadership of Mrs. Ray C. Seidel. The Scripture was read by the president, Mrs. Max Pribnow, followed by prayer by Mrs. Beringer. Words of welcome were offered by the president.

Mrs. Alvin Hochhalter gave the report as treasurer and Mrs. Herman G. Fuchs as secretary. Poems were given by several women. Special numbers in song were presented by a duet, a trio and a quartet and two selections by the women of the society.

An interesting quiz on "What do you know about your denomination?" was of interest to all. The main play was entitled, "The Life of Mary Reed." The offering for the evening was \$34.97 which will be used to help furnish the new kitchen.

Also we donated money to various causes. In addition, we have purchased two stoves, bought lumber for the cupboards, a double sink, a large set of dishes and kettles and many other articles for our new church kitchen.

Mrs. Herman G. Fuchs, Secretary.

Memorial Hammond Organ is Dedicated at the Calvary Church, Carrington, N. Dak.

On Sunday, April 15, we of the Calvary Baptist Church of Carrington, N. Dak., dedicated our new Hammond Organ. A little over a year ago an organ fund was started in memory of Mrs. Fred Pepple. In November after the death of Terry Felchle, the organ fund was enlarged and gifts were given in memory of other friends and relatives of the church people. The organ was purchased in December, 1950.

On this Sunday 250 church members and friends from surrounding churches gathered at the church for the dedication of the memorial organ. A concert was given before the service by Warren Duntly of Jamestown, N. Dak. The congregation sang, "There Shall Be Showers of Blessing." The choir rendered the selection, "There Is Music in His Name." The Rev. Wilmer Quiring gave a short sermonette on "The Ministry of Music." The offering taken went toward the last payment on the organ.

Patsy Cook, church organist, softly played appropriate music during the candle light memorial service. A parent, child or grandchild lighted candles in memory of those for whom the organ was dedicated. There were 22 candles placed in the form of the cross. The men's quartet sang, "That Beautiful Land." Following the presentation of the plaque with the 22 names of those in whose memory the organ was dedicated, Fred Pepple, Jr., rendered the solo, "The Lord's Prayer."

Mrs. Lowell Leppke, Reporter.

Obituary

(A charge of five cents a line is made for all obituaries, except for those of our pastors and their wives. If possible, limit the obituary notices to 250 words. Send them to the Editor, Box 6, Forest Park, Illinois.)

MRS. BETTY KLAUS of Greenvine, Texas.

Mrs. Betty Klaus, nee Becker, of Greenvine, Texas, was born in Washington County, Texas, on May 17, 1871 where she lived all her life. In her maiden years she was saved, baptized and became a member of our church in Greenvine, Texas. At the age of 22 she married William Klaus. Two daughters were born to them. Twenty-one years ago they moved to Greenvine where they lived until the Lord called them home. William Klaus passed away seven years ago. His wife (Betty) left this earthly tabernacle on March 26, 1951 at the age of 79 years, 10 months and 9 days due to physical ailments.

She was true and faithful to her Lord all her life, and loved by all who knew her. She is survived by her daughters: Mrs. Will Rost of Greenvine, and Mrs. A. G. Gerland of Houston; as well as one brother, Carl Becker of Phlogersville, Texas; eight grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and many friends.

Greenvine Baptist Church,
Burton, Texas

FRANK ARMBRUSTER, Pastor.

MR. CHRIS G. ROOS of Aplington, Iowa.

Mr. Chris G. Roos of Aplington, Iowa, was born in Germany on October 8, 1859. As a child he came to the United States with his parents and lived in or near the town of Aplington, Iowa, ever since. In 1885 he was united in marriage with Miss Geske Luebberts. Four children blessed this union. Mrs. Roos preceded her husband to that better land in 1934, as did also the older son, who passed away in 1941.

On September 20, 1880 our departed brother was baptized upon the confession of his faith by the Rev. J. Kroeni and received into the fellowship of our church. For nearly seventy years he was united with our church and for quite a number of years he served as dean and also as clerk for the church.

He leaves to mourn his death at the ripe old age of ninety years and six months one son; two daughters; five grandchildren,

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spoke very forcefully on the theme, "Exalt Christ." He warned "that we have reached one of the great divides in the fortunes of mankind," and made it clear that "we cannot exalt Christ by minimizing sin, by magnifying works, nor by glorifying man."

Dr. Clyde W. Taylor, Director of Missions, Washington, D. C., representing 85 mission boards, delivered the missionary address on Wednesday night, which made a profound impression upon the audience.

All hearts became heavy when he made the following statement: "More Christians have been murdered, tortured, and more are under pressure and persecution today than at any other time in at least two hundred years." Persecutions in countries behind the Iron Curtain, in Greece, Italy, Brazil, Colombia and Mexico, as well as Spain, are instigated on one

six great-grandchildren; and an aged sister, 95 years old. The undersigned was in charge of funeral services.

The Aplington Baptist Church,
Aplington, Iowa

C. FRED LEHR, Pastor.

MRS. ELIZABETH WETZLER of Portland, Oregon.

Mrs. Elizabeth Wetzler, nee Stalder, of Portland, Ore., was born in Canton Bern, Switzerland, on April 15, 1866 and died at the Baptist Home for the Aged in Portland on April 25, 1951 at the age of 85 years and 10 days. In her maiden years Mrs. Wetzler came to this country and made her home near Portland, Ore., in 1876. Here she was united in marriage to George P. Wetzler on Nov. 29, 1888 to which union there were born eight children, five sons and three daughters. One daughter preceded the mother in death in 1920 and her husband preceded her in 1931.

Our sister was converted in the days of her youth and in May of 1902 was baptized by Dr. Jacob Kratt, becoming a member of Trinity Baptist Church of which she remained a faithful member until her Lord quietly called her to her eternal home. She was a loving mother and deeply interested in spiritual things, always ready to serve the Savior where opportunity afforded itself.

She leaves to mourn her departure her five sons and two daughters; one brother; three sisters; ten grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, besides many relatives and friends. At the memorial service the pastor brought a message of comfort from several of her favorite Scripture passages. May the bereaved ones find comfort and consolation in Jesus Christ, the Lover of our souls!

Trinity Baptist Church,
Portland, Oregon

JOHN WOBIG, Pastor.

MRS. SOPHIA WAGNER of Carrington, North Dakota.

Mrs. Sophia Durman Wagner of Carrington, North Dakota, was born in Rumania on July 15, 1867, and died on April 1, 1951 at the St. Alexius Hospital in Bismarck, N. Dak., following a stroke. Mrs. Wagner immigrated to Canada in 1885 together with her parents, two sisters and a brother. In 1887 she married Martin Wagner, and they made their home at Edenwold, Sask. They were both charter members of the German Baptist Church organized in that community. Some years later they moved to Regina, Sask.

Mr. Wagner died on April 17, 1917. In 1927 Mrs. Wagner moved to Carrington, N. Dak., and made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Pepple, who preceded

her in death in 1950. At the time of her death, Mrs. Wagner was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church of Carrington. She was converted and baptized under the ministry of the Rev. Ludwig Liebig. For the past year Mrs. Wagner had made her home at the Baptist Home for the Aged at Bismarck, N. Dak.

Surviving her are three sons: Martin of Kelowna, B. C.; Robert of Regina, Sask.; and Edwin of Elmhurst, Ill. One sister, Mrs. Marie Pepple of Selah, Wash., still survives, and also 14 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held both in Carrington, N. Dak., and Regina, Sask. The Rev. W. Quiring had charge of the services in Carrington and the Rev. R. Kanwischer in Regina. Mrs. Wagner was laid to rest beside her husband in Regina.

Carrington, North Dakota
W. QUIRING, Pastor.

MR. JACOB VEENKER of Chancellor, South Dakota.

Mr. Jacob Veenker of Chancellor, S. Dak., was born November 30, 1864 in Pilsun, Ostfriesland, Germany. In young manhood he accepted Christ as his personal Savior and was baptized on confession of his faith by the Rev. S. W. Janssen and united with the church at Jannett, Germany. On October 25, 1890 he was united in marriage to Miss Alma Friemuth who preceded her husband in death in November, 1936.

The Lord blessed this union with seven children of whom two died in infancy. In 1909 the family left Germany and came to this country and made their home south of Lennox and later bought a farm north-east of Chancellor where he passed away on March 30th at the age of 86 years and four months.

In 1910 he united with the First Baptist Church of Chancellor. For several years he was deacon and Sunday School teacher. He remained a faithful member until his heavenly Father called him home where his earthly labors and toils are over.

He leaves to mourn five children: John and Hannah, at home; Hans, north of Lennox; Mrs. Bertha Roskens and Mrs. Elsie Terveen of Emery, S. Dak.; one daughter-in-law, Mrs. Hans Veenker; one son-in-law, Sander Terveen; seven grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren; one sister in Germany and other relatives and friends.

The Rev. Hugh Bronstad conducted the services, assisted by the Rev. D. S. Wipf of Emery, S. Dak., and Rev. B. F. Taylor of Sioux Falls, S. Dak. Rev. and Mrs. Peter Wiens of Sibley, Iowa, furnished several duet numbers. Interment was in the Baptist Cemetery of Chancellor.

Chancellor, South Dakota

HUGH BRONSTAD, Pastor.

for the ministers of the Gospel.

The great climax of the convention was Friday night, when another Christian layman, Senator Charles W. Tobey of New Hampshire brought the closing message of the convention in Medina Temple. He and his wife were enthusiastically received. The burden of his message was that we must come back to God and then go forward with him. He thought that the home and the church have lost the influence in the community, but it can be recaptured. He warned us that the handwriting on the wall can be seen already, "but do we all see it?" These and many other golden words fell from the lips of this eminent and remarkable statesman. And so the great convention came to a sublime close.

Truly, those were memorable days! Yes, God still has men who will not bow their knees before Baal. The Evil One may be mustering his forces in our days; but our blessed Lord is still on the throne. He too is gathering his own!

OUR GREATEST ADVANCE

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Choir and by the Pastors' Chorus under the direction of the Rev. Edgar Klatt of St. Paul, Minn. A brief memorial service was held in honor of the late Mr. E. Elmer Staub of Detroit, Mich., whose wonderful denominational services were recognized by Dr. William Kuhn, Dr. George A. Lang offered the memorial prayer.

Many felicitous introductions were in order. Dr. Frank H. Woyke, executive secretary, introduced the many speakers on the program. The Rev. L. B. Holzer, chairman of the General Missionary Committee, introduced the new secretary, the Rev. Richard Schilke, who in turn introduced his "new job." The Rev. Howard Roth of Portland, Ore., Cameroons appointee with his wife, brought a brief message with a heartfelt testimony for Christ and a burning passion for his work in Africa. The Rev. George Henderson, missionary at Victoria, Africa, lifted the audience to inspirational heights with his fervent and fiery message that burned this truth of God's promise into all hearts, "My presence shall go with thee."

The trumpet call has sounded. The advance has been launched. We are going forward with the triumphant Christ.

"Lead on, O King Eternal!
The day of march has come."

PUBLICATION BOARD

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Christian literature for the East Zone of Germany.

Each year the problem that causes us much grief is the financial deficit, and each year it is emphasized that the solution to the problem is a simple one. At the present time 158 of our churches are ordering Sunday School literature and supplies through Roger Williams Press. If the remainder of our churches could be persuaded to do likewise, they could aid us tremendously in reducing the annual deficit. There would be a difference of only one or two days in delivery, but the difference in the financial situation at Cleveland would be amazing. The Book Department has a large stock of books on hand, and is also ready promptly to fill all orders for books not ordinarily kept in stock. We urge our people to use the facilities of our Publication House and thus aid one of the vital agencies of our denomination.

A word of commendation is in order for our business manager, the Rev. E. J. Baumgartner, and for all our editors. All of them have rendered a commendable service in their respective fields. Remember them in prayer, and give thanks to God for their unselfish and untiring efforts in

CONFERENCES AND ASSEMBLIES

June 7-11—**Kansas Young People's Assembly** at Camp Fellowship near Wichita, Kans. **Dr. Gorge A. Lang** and **Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Michelson, Missionaries, Speakers.**

June 10-16—**Iowa Young People's Camp** at Iowa Falls, Iowa. **Miss Ruth Bathauer** and **Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Michelson, Missionaries, Dr. Ralph E. Powell, Speakers.**

June 13-17—**Central Dakota Association** at Baker, Mont. (Plevna Baptist Church as Host). **Rev. Richard Schilke, Guest Speaker.**

June 14-17 — **Alberta Association** at Calgary. **Prof. R. P. Jeschke, Guest Speaker.**

June 14-17—**Northern North Dakota Association** at Martin, N. Dak. **Rev. E. P. Wahl** and **Miss Ruby Salzman, Missionary, Speakers.**

June 14-17—**Manitoba Triunion and Association** at Swan River, Manitoba. **Prof. Herbert Hiller, Guest Speaker.**

June 18-21—**Manitoba Home Builders Camp** at Lake Dauphin Camp, Manitoba. **Prof. Herbert Hiller, Guest Speaker.**

June 19-24 — **Southern Conference Young People's Encampment** at Latham Springs, Texas. **Prof. Ralph E. Powell, Guest Speaker.**

June 20-24—**Dakota Conference** at Aberdeen, S. Dak. **Dr. George A. Lang, Rev. E. J. Baumgartner, and Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Michelson, Missionaries, Speakers.**

June 21-24—**Central Conference** at the Foster Ave. Baptist Church, Chicago, Ill. **Prof. R. P. Jeschke, Rev. J. C. Gunst, Rev. W. J. Luebeck and Miss Esther Schultz, Missionary, Speakers.**

June 21-24—**Ontario Association** at Killaloe, Ontario. **Rev. Herman Palfenier, Guest Speaker.**

behalf of Christ's Kingdom. A word should also be said for the people who work in the shop and offices, for they are laboring for wages that are below the prevailing rates in the city of Cleveland. We commend them for this sacrifice.

Our day closed in a festive manner as the Board met in one of Cleveland's restaurants to celebrate the ninetieth birthday of our former business manager, Mr. H. P. Donner. We rejoiced with him in the goodness of God, and the wish was expressed by several that the Lord would permit him to attain the century mark.

With thanks to God for the accomplishments of the past year and with confidence in him for the future we move on into another year of service to God and to the members of our denomination. May it be a blessed year of progress on all fronts for Christ and his Kingdom!

ON A CAMEROONS FARM

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schools whatever as yet. There are no qualified people from this area to act as church-workers, teachers, or evangelists. This is, indeed, a serious handicap to the progress of any Mission effort. As it is now, strangers from other areas are carrying on as best they can; but it is difficult and unsatisfactory to place a native worker among a people whose language and customs are different from his own.

SELF-SUPPORT

We are praying for a chance to open a Mission School at Warwar in order that we may lay the foundation for providing this area with qualified Christian leaders from their own people to act as the preachers, teachers and village heads. In other areas it is necessary to accept government grants to maintain our school because of insufficient funds of our own. This obligates us to adhere to the British government's educational laws. We would like to see the entire school system at Warwar operated on a self-supporting basis by means of a program of mixed farming which would also be maintained as part of the curriculum. In an area like that of Warwar, natural resources and native interest and ability lend themselves perfectly. In this way the schools could be supervised entirely by our own Mission education department.

Another reason remains for the beginning of this agricultural program. We believe that it can eventually lead to the self-support of the entire Warwar Field, and this need not be in the too far distant future.

These have been years of beginnings for us. We have spent this past term getting acquainted with Africa and the African in general, and, with our field, the tribe and their customs in particular. Months have stretched into years as we have tried to finish building the home in which we are living and to make other necessary station buildings and improvements.

OPENING NEW DOORS

However, it is our firm conviction that this agricultural method of approach can and will open the doors into this field. To begin in any other way would be like building a house by putting up the walls and neglecting the foundation, which means the difference between a temporary and a permanent structure. This may answer some of your questions about why we began such a program when we had duties pertaining to the struggling churches, urgent building needs, and social and medical work already waiting for us.